

MANY NEW BUILDINGS ERECTED THIS YEAR

Big Increase in Value of New Construction Over Last Year—City Council at Movies

The municipal council was slated for a conference this forenoon, but the thing didn't materialize. At about the time set for the conference, Commissioner Putnam invited the other members of the council to one of the local theatres where a collection of pictures owned by a local man are on exhibition. It having been suggested that the picture ought to be placed in the public library.

But the council will hold the conference some time today because it is necessary for the members to agree upon some way of helping out the health and buildings department. The health department needs about \$300 for the care of tuberculosis patients and Commissioner Putnam says he will require at least \$9000 with which to make the changes in school buildings.

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TEUTON FORCES PUSH ON

Progress for Drive in Montenegro—Monastir Holds Out—Russian Advance Checked

Teutonic operations in Montenegro apparently are being pursued with vigor. Today's report from Berlin records progress for the drive in Montenegro territory, in which Austrian and probably some German troops are engaged. Occupation of Pljevlja, Jabuka and Boljanc is announced.

In the operations to the southwest of Mitrovica, near the Montenegrin frontier, Teutonic troops have taken 2000 additional prisoners and captured two cannon.

Monastir Still Holds Out

Conditions are more favorable for the defenders of Monastir, according to a news agency despatch from Sanitko. It is reported that Serbian reinforcements are nearing the city and that if they arrive in time it is expected that Monastir will be able to hold out against the Bulgarians.

Reports on conditions along the western front from both Paris and Berlin continue to record nothing more important than artillery, mining and aeroplane operations.

Russian Advance Checked

In the eastern fighting zone German headquarters reports the repulse of a Russian advance apparently not strong in force, against Gen. von Bothmer's positions along the southern end of the line.

China Not to Join Allies

Formal denial that it had considered allying itself with the quadruple entente or that it had been asked to take such action is made by the Chinese government. China has never considered the possibility of abandoning neutrality, it is declared.

British Casualties

British casualties, military and naval, from the beginning of the war to Nov. 9 last totaled 510,230. Premier Asquith announced today. The naval casualties were 121,600. Of the total 103,923 were killed, 6910 of these being officers.

Bulgarian Reinforcements

Arrival of further reinforcements for the Bulgarians before the French front in southern Serbia is reported from Athens.

Italy Agrees With Allies

Definite announcement comes from Italy that the Italian government has given its adherence to the agreement of the entente powers that no separate peace should be signed. It is reported that Italy's action was not taken until Monday of this week, almost coincidentally with the rumors that Austria would accept the terms of the peace.

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want.

NO PASSPORTS TO NATIONS AT WAR FOR FORD PARTY

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53 British Ships Lost in Month

Fifty-three British steamers and 35 sailing vessels were reported sunk, according to advices received by the board of trade at London during November. The total net tonnage of these vessels was 60,942. Lives lost numbered 652.

AUSTRO-GERMANS AND BULGARS COMPLETE CAMPAIGN IN SERBIA

LONDON, Dec. 2, 12.27 p. m.—Military events in the Balkans apparently Continued on page three

RUSH TO HELP LINER

THE MARENGO FROM NEW YORK FOR HULL STRANDED ON GOODWIN SANDS

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The Wilson liner Marengo from New York for Hull, is stranded on the Goodwin sands. Lifeboats are proceeding to her assistance.

The Wilson liner Marengo left New York for Hull on Nov. 17. She is engaged in freight service and had no passengers on board.

The Marengo is a British steamer of 4322 tons gross, 410 feet long and was built in 1910 at Newcastle.

U. S. MARINE KILLED

PRIVATE BRETT DEAD AND PRIVATE WILKERSON DYING FROM GAS FUMES

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 2.—J. C. Brett, a private in the United States marine corps, stationed at Portsmouth, was killed, and A. Wilkerson, also a private, was overcome by gas in a room at a hotel here today. Wilkerson was sent to a hospital where it was said he had only a slight chance of recovery. The police, after an investigation, said that a gas jet probably was opened accidentally.

BARRITT MAY SURVIVE

James Barritt, 12-year-old son of Edward J. Barritt, the Salem street grocer, who sustained a fracture of the skull as a result of being thrown from a horse on the Pawtucket boulevard Sunday afternoon, is still unconscious at the Lowell General hospital, to which place he was taken immediately after the accident. Although his name has been on the dangerous list since being removed to the hospital the doctors are surprised at the length of time the lad has survived and are now entertaining hopes for his recovery.

JANE ADDAMS BETTER

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—Although the nature of the illness of Miss Jane Addams, head of Hull house, who was taken to a hospital Tuesday, remains undetermined, her condition is not alarming, according to a report of her physicians today. Miss Addams is resting comfortably. It will be several days before it can be determined whether an operation is necessary.

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Mellen Admits He Spent \$50,000 to Prevent Grand Trunk From Entering Providence

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"I did not believe," he said, "that the Grand Trunk was sincere, and I don't think so yet."

Mr. Mellen also disclosed that the New Haven directors authorized the appointment of a committee to buy a stock interest in the New London Northern road to test the validity of its lease to the Central Vermont. The Central Vermont was a Grand Trunk subsidiary, and the proposed extension to Providence was to connect with the New London Northern at Palmer, Mass.

The committee consisted of Lewis Cass Ledyard, William Rockefeller and Charles F. Brooker, defendant directors, appointed at a meeting, April 21, 1911, of the board of directors of the New England Navigation Co., which was the same as the New Haven board. At this meeting the navigation company authorized a loan to Mellen of \$275,000. It was out of this "contingent fund" that Mellen said he used \$50,000 "in the collection and dissemination of information on the Grand Trunk proposition."

It was necessary for the first to "get posted" and Mellen said he used some of the money in buying information in Canada as to the relations of the Grand Trunk with the government. The Grand Trunk had certain obligations to carry out in connection with the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific which, he said, conflicted with the proposition to extend its lines in New England.

The action looking to the proposed attack on the lease of the New London Northern was brought out by the government after it had introduced evidence to show that negotiations for

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NO CRIME TO SUPPLY RAIDERS, SAYS RAND

Counsel for Buenz Says No Was Jailed for Supplying Dewey's Ships During Blockade

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Counsel for the four indicted officials of the Hamburg-American line, whose case is expected to go to the jury today, went back, in his summing up today, to the days of Dewey at Manila for what he termed a parallel and a vindication of the acts of his clients in sending coal and supplies from American ports to the German fleet in the South Atlantic in the early days of the European war.

"Dewey's ships," said Mr. Rand, the defendant's counsel, "needed coal and supplies during that blockade. How did they get them? Why, it is no secret. An American firm at the British port of Hong Kong—Jackson & Evans, I think it was—loaded the coal and supplies and provisions on British steamers and cleared these steamers for the Chinese port of Macao. And for Macao these ships sailed out of Hong Kong. Their manifests made no mention of supplies. The manifests said these steamers were loaded with scrap iron."

"What happened? This so-called scrap iron—these supplies of food and coal—were transferred to Dewey's ships at sea. The carrier vessels then went on to Macao, really loaded with scrap iron, but it was scrap iron loaded from the ruins of Cavite, battered down by Dewey's guns."

"Has anybody ever been sent to jail for this? The first man has yet to say that in sailing out of Hong Kong with supplies for American warships, these steamers, their owners, agents or ship-pers committed an offense against her majesty, the queen of England."

"What is the difference between that and this? What was a crime in August, 1914, must have been a crime in August, 1915. The laws have not changed. No—it was not a crime then; it is not a crime now; it is simply a question of whose ex is good."

Roger H. Wood, conducting the prosecution, objected to this argument, but it was overruled by Judge Howe.

Reviewing alleged participation of Capt. K. Hoy-Eld, the German naval attaché, Mr. Rand said:

"It is only fair to him to say that he has done nothing whatever that is not sanctioned by the laws of nations and by the laws of the United States."

EXPECT VERDICT TONIGHT

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Counsel both for the prosecution and defense look for a verdict tonight in the case of Karl Buenz and employees of the Hamburg-American line on trial in the federal court on charges of conspiracy to defraud the United States government in the diting of false manifests of steamers carrying supplies to the German sea raiders in the South Atlantic early in the war.

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CONTESTS THE DIVORCE

Mrs. Hastings Seeks Divorce on Ground of Non-Support—Case of Laporte et al. Given to Jury

Justice Hall, who is presiding over the jury waived session of the superior court was kept busy all forenoon hearing the evidence in the contested divorce case of Hastings vs. Hastings, both of the town of Duxbury.

The libellant, who is the wife, petitioned the court for her divorce on the grounds of non-support. She claimed she left her husband in June, 1912, because of poor conditions at her home. She said her husband had a home in the town of Duxbury, until he left and she said she and her children suffered from hunger.

The libellee informed the court he was conducting a coach business in his town, which netted him about \$15 a week and he said his home was well lit to live in, while he denied depriving his family of the necessities of life.

In the course of the testimony it was brought out that in June, 1912, the couple separated at the request of the wife and that an agreement was signed between the parties interested to the effect that each would look after his or her own support. It was also stated that shortly after the separation the wife went to Somerville and there was employed as clerk in a theatre. Later she returned to her husband and asked him to take her back, but he refused. Some time later the wife went to California to the home of her parents and last October she returned and filed a petition for divorce.

At noon the attorneys presented their arguments and the court reserved his decision.

The Steamship Case

The case of Elie C. Laporte and Dr. Samuel Patenaude of this city, vs. The Oceanic Steamship Navigation Co., an action of contract by which the plaintiffs seek to recover the sum of \$2000 for damages in excess of transportation paid for a cruise to the West Indies, the company refusing to admit them aboard the ship, was brought to a close yesterday afternoon and this morning the attorneys presented their arguments.

The entire forenoon was taken up with the arguments on two different occasions points of law were brought up and in order to give the attorneys an opportunity to argue the points, the jury was taken to another room. At noon Justice Keating charged the jury and just before the close of this forenoon's session the case was turned over to the jury.

Goldman vs. Yen

The case of Philip Goldman against

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OLD LINERS' PARTY TONIGHT

DRACUT GRANGE HALL

Hibbard's Orch. Six Pieces

ELECTRICAL WEEK

The watch word this week is electrical convenience.

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BOSTON LADIES OUTFITTERS

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TOTAL BRITISH LOSSES

Premier Asquith Says Casualties
From Beginning of War to Nov.
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LONDON, Dec. 2.—The total of British military and naval losses from the beginning of the war to November 9, was 510,230. This figure was given in a written reply by Premier Asquith to

a question addressed to the government in the house of commons. The losses were distributed as follows:

FRANCE			
Killed	Wounded	Missing	
Officers 4,670	9,754	1,584	
Other ranks 69,272	240,254	51,415	
Total, 379,986			
MEDITERRANEAN			
Killed	Wounded	Missing	
Officers 1,604	2,860	356	
Other ranks 2,551	70,118	10,711	
Total, 106,810			
OTHER THEATRES			
Killed	Wounded	Missing	
Officers 227	337	76	
Other ranks 2,052	5,587	3,233	
Total, 11,502			
NAVY (MARINES)			
Killed	Wounded	Missing	
Officers 913	151	35	
Other ranks 9,125	1,979	919	
Total, 12,160			
Grand total, 510,230.			

The totals given as killed include those who died from wounds or other causes as well as the officers and men killed outright in battle.

LOWELL PARTY DANCE

WENT IN TWO LARGE BARGES TO SCHOFIELD'S FARM IN DRACUT

Schofield's cosy farmhouse, located in Dracut near Lakewood, was last evening converted into the scene of great merriment and gaiety when two barges well filled with young people from this city pulled up at the door while the merry-makers descended and entered the attractive hall for three hours of real enjoyment. Of course, it goes without saying that the ride from Merrimack square to the farm was a full hour of fun, the friendly feeling prevailing affording pleasure for all. When the party had arrived at their destination and absorbed a good portion of the heat from Mr. Schofield's open fireplace covers were arranged and about 50 sat down for dinner. The dinner was one of those that has made Schofield's farm famous in this section and it satisfied the appetites of all. After the dinner the floor was cleared and dancing was enjoyed until midnight with the exception of a short intermission during which a social program was given. This included solos from such well known talent as Eugene McCarthy, John P. Roane, Miss Anna Latham and others. Music was furnished by Markham's orchestra which played the latest dance numbers in a very pleasing manner. The trip home was also made in the barges and thoroughly enjoyed. The arrangements for the party were made by Misses Mary and Marion Cooney and Edward F. Slattery, Jr., to whom all credit is due for the splendid evening's entertainment afforded everyone who attended.

THE HIGHLAND CLUB

THE MEMBERS WILL BE GUESTS OF PENTUCKET CLUB OF HAVERHILL TONIGHT

The members of the Highland club of this city will journey to Haverhill this evening, where they will be the guests of the members of the Pentucket club, a prominent organization of the Shoe City.

The trip to Haverhill will be made by special train which will leave the railroad station at 6.15 o'clock, and upon reaching the Pentucket club the Lowells will be highly entertained. Luncheon will be served and games will be played, and it is expected that the members of the visiting organization will give their hosts a lively contest, especially in pool and billiards. It is expected that about 100 Lowells will take in the trip. The return trip will be made at 11.30 o'clock.

PURE BLOOD MAKES HEALTHY PEOPLE

Hood's Sarsaparilla removes scrofula, sores, boils and other eruptions because it drives out of the blood the humors that cause them. Eruptions cannot be successfully treated with external applications, because these cannot purify the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes rich blood, perfects the digestion, and builds up the whole system. Insist on having Hood's. Get it now.

INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

Dollar day in the stores yesterday was a big success.

A routine session of the Ring Spinner-Curriers' association was held last night.

Business in the big department stores has increased considerably during the past few months, and a record breaking business during the Christmas shopping period is looked for by the merchants.

Buy your Christmas presents early and you will spare the store clerks a good deal of hard work and extra worry. The Christmas shopping period is the worst of the year for the store clerks.

A routine session of Carpenters' union, local 1010 was held last night in the Runcles building. A large amount of routine business was transacted and two applications for membership were received. Business Agent Michael A. Lee submitted an encouraging report.

It is reported that the American Woolen Co. has just received another large army blanket order from Europe. The company also has a large amount of domestic business on its hands. All the mills are running to full capacity.

The various mill unions in this city are affiliated with the United Textile Workers of America and according to prominent labor leaders there is no danger of any of them seceding to join the independent organization to be formed of New England textile workers.

The new addition to the plant of the Bay State Cotton Co. in Marginal street is going up rapidly. It is expected that it will be ready for occupancy by the first of the year. A belt 350 additional hands will be employed. The company is doing a very prosperous business.

Moulders' Session

A special meeting of the Moulders' union was held last night in Trades and Labor hall and the session proved very interesting. A number of matters of importance came up for discussion and a large amount of important business was transacted. John R. O'Leary, second vice-president of the international organization and New England Organizer Eugene L. Murphy were visitors in this city yesterday.

Steam Engineers' Wage Schedule

Steam Engineers' union, local 325, met last evening in the union quarters in Central street and transacted a great deal of important business. One new member was initiated and one application for membership was received. The matter of asking for a new wage schedule was taken up and discussed and another important matter which came up for discussion was the advisability of contributing toward the expense of a state organizer. This latter matter will be thrashed out further at the state branch convention on Dec. 12 in Boston. The following Lowell delegates were elected to attend the convention: President John H. Sullivan, former President William Kennebec and State Secretary Albin W. Hersome. The alternates chosen are Francis Caragher, Robert Gunston and Benjamin Jordan.

Tonight's Sessions

Tonight at 32 Middle street, the first December meeting of the Trades & Labor council is scheduled to be held. Business of much importance will come up for transaction and the election of a local organizer may take place. President Frank Warnock will preside.

Machinists' union, local 319, will meet in Cotton Spinners' hall, Middle street, and the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen will hold their regular monthly meeting in Odd Fellows hall, Middlesex street.

Painters' union will meet in Carpenter's hall, Runcles building, with Pres. George Filgini in the chair.

The Mill Treasurer

There are a great many who are interested in the textile business who do not realize that profits are secured not by a large profit upon some particular style, but by a satisfactory margin of profit upon the whole production. Efficiency and economy have been discussed quite thoroughly, and while it is admitted that such features have a great influence upon mill profits, nevertheless, there are many instances where the mill treasurer or selling agent will make more real profit by his selling ability or through taking advantage of favorable conditions that can be secured through any mill economy, particularly if the various processes be reasonably efficient.

It is contended that any organization ought not to be a one-man organization, and this is a very good plan for certain industries, although there is no question under present methods

but that one good man who is able to drive a good bargain will make more profit for a textile concern than any other single item. A statement like the foregoing is likely to be criticized, but when the subject is carefully analyzed, and comparisons made between the various treasurers, mill organizations and profits, there will be some very radical disclosures made. If there is anything which justifies a one-man organization, then the method of selling cotton goods today justifies this idea. We are acquainted with concerns equipped with up-to-date machinery, where labor costs are relatively low, and where no surplus operatives are employed, and where every operative is busy up to the greatest extent possible commensurate with textile conditions; still some of these concerns have not secured a reasonable profit on the investment, while others, which are very apparently operated less economically, continually secure a better return. Of course, allowance must in all cases be made for capitalization and other details, but by no stretch of the imagination can some of the concerns be placed on an equal basis as far as profits is concerned. This is for concerns which produce fabrics of practically an identical character.

Naturally, every grey goods mill organization is slightly different, but their products are near enough to warrant comparison. What is the reason for the difference in profits? We can state emphatically that it is explained by the difference in the ability of the different selling agents. Inasmuch as the product is handled by a single man, it brings the matter down to a single man's ability. The mill treasurer himself are not able to get at the facts in a large majority of cases do not secure high prices. It requires perception and some familiarity with the general trend of affairs for a treasurer to secure good prices for his merchandise. There are many instances where the treasurer can be criticized. We know of cases where treasurers have not been square with cloth brokers, and the attitude which they have adopted has affected their profits. When a treasurer is more or less generally criticized by buyers and by cloth brokers, it can be safely assumed that he is not securing the best results.

OPENING OF REICHSTAG

DEMONSTRATIONS IN FAVOR OF SPEEDY SETTLEMENT OF THE FOOD PROBLEM

BERLIN, Dec. 2 (By wire to Sayville).—"Yesterday as usual," says the Overseas News agency, "at the opening of the reichstag large crowds gathered around the building and the neighboring streets. Among the throng were some who made demonstrations in favor of a speedy settlement of the problem of government regulation of prices and the distribution of food."

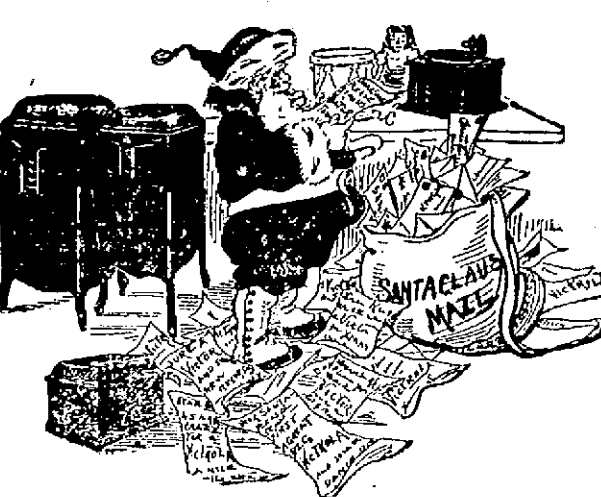
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The Boston chamber of commerce will entertain the commission while it is in this section and has offered to the chairman its services in reaching New England manufacturers. A luncheon has been arranged at the Parker house on Friday to enable the commissioners to meet a number of representative business men.

The visit of the commission, it is expected, will lead to a considerable amount of new business. Much interest has been manifested by the commission in textile machinery, and it is said that all such machinery introduced in France after the war will be of American make.

Maurice Damour, a leading financier of France, is chairman of the commission, and will head the delegation. Accompanying him will be Emile Deschamps-Thiriet, secretary of the French Syndicate of Spinners; M. L. Trepiano, director of the National School of Clockmaking at Besancon; Jacques Lesieur, delegate of the French department of agriculture; L. Vibien, a director of the National Bank of Credit; G. Chouffout, of the Credit Francaise; Joseph Gaudet, delegate of the chamber of commerce of Lyons; M. Saladin and Jacques de Neufville, a banker.

GREEK STEAMER SUNK

THE ZARIFIS, 2001 TONS GROSS, SENT TO BOTTOM—CREW RESCUED

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The Greek steamship Zarifis has been sunk. Her crew was landed at Malta.

The Zarifis, 2001 tons gross, was built in 1901.

SPY EXECUTED IN LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 8.—A spy whose name was not made public, was executed by shooting today, according to an official announcement given out by the British official press bureau.

CHARGE OF VOTE BUYING

NEW BEDFORD, FULL OF BURNS DETECTIVES, BUBBLING OVER WITH POLITICAL EXCITEMENT

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 8.—With election day only a week off, and highly rallies stirring the city, with New Bedford full of Burns detectives, and William J. Burns, the famous detective, himself on the job to remain until after election, this city is bubbling with political excitement as it has not done for many years.

The charges that vote buying is going on, or was in the early stages of the campaign, may be proved true in the courts if Mr. Burns carries out his promise to furnish evidence after election day. District Attorney Joseph T. Kenney yesterday issued the following statement:

"You may state as coming from me

Eat Everything

A man who for years had been compelled to decline this and that kind of food because he was UNABLE TO CHEW, now has a full set of teeth which give him no trouble whatever, and enable him to eat EVERYTHING.

Much of the pleasure of life is in eating, and in eating VARIOUS KINDS of food.

Why not INSURE your pleasure by having us attend to your teeth?

NAP-A-MINUT means no pain.

DR. GAGNON

466 Merrimack St., Opposite Tilden St., and 109 Merrimack St., Next to Five Cent Savings Bank

LATE WAR NEWS

Continued

AGED WOMAN MURDERED

BODY OF MRS. DIPPER, AGED 80, FOUND IN HOME AT ABERCORN, QUEBEC

ABERCORN, Que., Dec. 8.—The body of Mrs. Frank Dipper, 80 years old, was found in her home here today with indications of a struggle which led to the police theory that she had been attacked by a burglar and had died of fright. She had been gagged with parts of a garment and there were finger prints on the body. When Mrs. Dipper, who lived alone, had not been seen for several days, neighbors investigated and found that the house had been entered through a window which was broken. No arrests have been made.

A coroner's jury returned a verdict that Mrs. Dipper had been murdered.

GARRISON DEFENDS ATTACK

Declares Criticism of Taft Was "Less Vehement Than Circumstances Warranted"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Championing the policy of the administration toward the Philippines and accepting the position thrown down by republican leaders who apparently contemplate making it a political issue, Lindley M. Garrison, secretary of war, late yesterday afternoon issued a rejoinder to the recent statement of ex-President Taft on the subject. Secretary Garrison stands by his previous statement.

"What I said concerning Mr. Taft," he declares, "was absolutely just, was less vehement than the circumstances warranted, and I measured every word of it."

are in a transitory stage, which may produce another German offensive, but whether this will be made against the Franco-British troops which hold all that remains of Serbia or against the Russians should they launch an attack against Bulgaria from the east, the present situation gives no indication. A Saloniki despatch, reporting the withdrawal of Field Marshal von Mackensen's forces from the Serbian front to Bulgaria, is interpreted in some quarters as confirmation of the second alternative.

With Pristina in Bulgarian hands, both the Austro-Germans and the Bulgarians have formally announced the completion of their Serbian campaign. Vienna officially estimates the capture of more than 60,000 Serbians by Gen. von Koevess' army during the month of November alone. Moreover, it seems certain that the Serbians in their retreat over Albanian mountains, encumbered by civilian refugees and made more difficult by wintry weather, were forced to leave behind them a large part of their equipment, including most of their heavy artillery, motor cars and other transports.

The Germans are now engaging the Montenegrins on the Montenegrin frontier, and at heavy cost have penetrated some distance beyond the border. Yet this struggle is not comparable to the serious and sanguinary fighting which marked the Serbian campaign last month and which has now almost ceased.

Notwithstanding all the entente negotiations at Athens, the Greek situation today remains much as it was a month ago. It is now clear that Greece has determined not to demobilize or withdraw her army from Saloniki. Though a deadlock seems to have been reached, negotiations are still under way.

No change of significance was reported either the western or the eastern front during the last 24 hours.

FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S WAR

NEWS IN BRIEF

FORM

German effort to force Austria into a customs union, Austrian peace advances and dispute with Bulgars over Serbia the various surmises on Vienna's crisis.

Austrians and Germans press the invasion of Montenegro. Fifteen thousand Serbians were captured at Pristina by Bulgarians, says German headquarters.

French and British cannon batter down German defenses in Belgium; severe artillery duel begins at Rome.

Italian artillery begins attack on new Austrian position.

Montevideo charges British cruisers are interfering with passenger service to Buenos Aires.

Lord Lansdowne says England should arbitrate all prize court disputes by the United States.

TRIAL OF NEW HAVEN MEN

Continued

the purchase of the New London Northern by the New Haven had failed.

The testimony was preliminary to proof which the government hopes to elicit that the Grand Trunk finally abandoned its extension, thus eliminating the threatened competition with the New Haven.

Mellen Examined

Charles S. Mellen, the government's witness, was asked about the interview he had in 1910 with C. M. Hays, then president of the Grand Trunk, which he testified yesterday was just prior to the taking of steps by the Grand Trunk to build its proposed extension of Palmer, Mass., to Providence.

At this meeting the witness testified today, Hays expressed a willingness to sell the New London Northern to the New Haven provided the New Haven would get a connection for the Grand Trunk into New York city over the New York, Ontario & Western.

Lewis Cass Ledyard, one of the defendants who was present at the interview, informed Hays, said the witness, that this could be done by an arrangement with the New York Central, which would not encroach upon our property or that we would have to contribute to the expense of the construction of the Grand Trunk's grade crossings.

The government then read to the jury correspondence of officials of the New Haven from which it appeared that soon after the New Haven sought to get extensions on a right of way for a line between Southbridge, Mass., and Palmer, the same route as the projected Grand Trunk extension. In June 1910, the board of directors referred to Mellen with power, the question of building the line, and Mellen ordered his subordinates to take the necessary steps.

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The witness said that both roads sought "certificates of expediency" from the authorities but that it was granted to the Grand Trunk.



A ROUND UP ON SUITS

Suits at..... \$8.00
Suits at..... \$12.90
Suits at..... \$15.00

A grand stock of 467 Suits at these rummage prices for two days.

WAISTS

25 Dozen Soiled and Odd Waists, sold to \$5.00,
\$1.00 and \$2.00

87 Party Dresses

Selling to \$18.75. Choice
\$12.50

asked Attorney Datts.

"We stepped out," said Mr. Mellen. "No other steps."

"Oh, I think I bought a couple of farms up that way."

He was shown a map where the farms were located. One of them appeared to be in the neighborhood of the Grand Trunk route.

"How long was this farm?"

"It was wider than the railroad track," he replied with a smile. "It was a peculiarly valuable location for a railroad. It was located in a notch."

CITY HALL NEWS

Continued

ings as recommended by the state police.

The school department gave out some time ago that it would probably require more money if the evening schools were to be continued for the remainder of the year, but it seems the department will get along without more money. That, at least, is the way that Commissioner Duncan sizes the matter up and William W. ought to know something about it because he was the man with whom the chairman of the school committee talked when the committee thought more money would be necessary. Mr. Duncan told the chairman to submit a statement setting forth the school department's finances and show why it would be necessary to have more money. The statement has not been forthcoming and Mr. Duncan allows that the school board was borrowing trouble, and that it has seen a way out of its difficulties.

The council will meet tomorrow forenoon and whatever action is decided upon at the conference today relative to the raising of money to place out the health and buildings departments will be confirmed at tomorrow's meeting.

Building Still Brisk

Building operations in this city did not slacken during the month of November, as the records at Commissioner Putnam's office show that the total estimated cost of new construction was \$64,515, nearly \$22,000 in excess of the estimated cost for the eleven months being \$112,848, as compared with \$773,514 for the twelve months of 1914.

The total estimated cost of new buildings for the eleven months of 1915 is away ahead of the total estimated cost for the whole of 1914, the total estimated cost for the eleven months being \$112,848, as compared with \$773,514 for the twelve months of 1914.

The following permits were granted since the last were published: Route 1, West and Maple Streets, 2 1/2 stories and 11 1/2 Middlesex street. The building will be 23 by 46 feet, 2 1/2 stories and each of the apartments will have six rooms, pantry and bath. The estimated cost is \$32,000.

Thomas W. Johnson & Co., with build a dwelling in an estimated cost of \$25,000. Frank Roberts has been granted a permit for the erection of a dwelling in the same street at an estimated cost of \$29,000.

Dr. Mignault on Deck

Dr. Mignault has the distinction of being the first of the five candidates for mayor in the recent primaries to file an election expense account with the city clerk. Dr. Mignault's paper were filed yesterday and, according to

Rummage Prices for Two Days

We Want Room for Xmas Display

Fine Coats, Fine Suits, Fine Dresses

AT A FRACTION OF PRICE FOR TWO DAYS

Coats at \$5, \$7.90 and \$10

About 300 Coats, Selling to \$20.00, at These Exceptional Prices.

Fashion Basement

Our Basement Dept. is all too small already.

Sweaters at..... \$1.00
Bathrobes, 6 to 14, \$1.00
Serge and Poplin Dresses at..... \$5.98
Dress Skirts, \$1.90, \$2.90
Children's Coats, \$2.90 and \$3.90

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Children's \$1 Dresses, 2 for \$1.00

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\$7000 Worth of Fine

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AT JULY PRICES—2 DAYS

Muffs at \$2.98
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Fox, Lynx, Raccoon, Seal and all stylish furs.

Step in and see what fine furs are.

NOTICE—SEE THE NEW PANTALETTE SKIRT ON DISPLAY IN OUR WINDOW

THE FASHION

We have decided to make Friday our Special Mark-down Day and each Friday we will give Special Bargains.

OSTRICH POM POMS—ONE DOLLAR
OSTRICH BANDS—ONE DOLLAR
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FUR STRIPS—ONE DOLLAR
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It pays to be shrewd—all the shrewd ones trade at The Fashion. It is not what you make, it is what you save that counts.

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115 MERRIMACK STREET,

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Thoroughly Cleaned Fancy Shore
HADDOCK, lb. 5c

Market Cod, lb. 5c | Smelts, lb. 14c

BLOOD **SALMON** Whole or Half 12c
RED Fish, to Bake or Broil. Lb.

Cod Cheeks, lb. 15c | Spawn, lb. 10c

Extra Fancy **Labrador Herring, 3 for 10c**

STEAKS, Swordfish or Halibut, lb. 12 1-2c

Spanish Mackerel, lb. 15c	Striped Bass, lb. 20c	Sea Trout, lb. 15c
Deep Sea Eels, lb. 15c	Butter Fish, lb. 8c	Sliced White Fish, lb. 10c
Sliced Haddock, lb. 8c	Salmon Steak, lb. 15c	Sliced Blue Fish, lb. 8c
Sliced Hake, lb. 8c	Finnish Haddock, lb. 10c	Flounders, lb. 7c
Mackerel, each 13c	Tinker Mackerel, 3 for 10c	Halibut Napes, lb. 5c
Clams, opened, 15c	Scallops, pt. 29c	Oysters, opened, 17c
Pink Salmon, can 8c	Oysters, in the shell, doz. 15c	Sardines, 7 for 25c

Saunders' Market

HE TRAPPED A SKUNK

AND PHILIP WONDERED WHY THE TEACHER SENT HIM HOME FROM SCHOOL

Everybody enjoys a letter from a real boy for a real boy always has something worth reading to put into his letters.

A real boy is Master Philip Morse, the 13-year-old son of Mr. J. H. Morse, proprietor of the 20th Century Shoe company, of this city.

Philip at present is attending school in Warren, N. H., and is making his home with an aunt in that place.

Warren is some place for hunting and Philip is some hunter. He always makes it a point to inform his parents about his success with the gun and the traps, and here's one of his latest letters:

Dear Dad: I went around to my traps this morning and the last one I visited I found had a skunk in it. I was about quarter of nine and I came home and asked Auntie if I could take my gun and go over and shoot it. She said yes, and I did. It took three shots to kill him but the last shot hit him in the head so he fell over. I picked him up and put him in an old sack and brought him home.

I went to school and stayed about two minutes and then the teacher sent me home. I put on my best clothes and my other ones are outdoors airing out. He didn't scent me, but just the smell from him made me smell.

Will you please send me up another pair of shoes as my other ones did get soiled up. I want the round toe, size 6.

He is out buried in the dirt now and

MORE SERBIANS CAPTURED

BERLIN, Dec. 8, via London, 3.15 p. m.—Tentative forces pressing their campaign against Montenegro have occupied the towns of Plovlje and Jabuka in northeastern Montenegro near the Serbian border. German headquarters announced today.

Capture of 4000 additional prisoners and two cannon is reported in the official statement which reads:

"To the west of the Lim river, Boljanka, Plovlje and Jabuka were occupied."

"To the southwest of Mitrovitz (100) prisoners and two cannon were captured."

SNOW THIS AFTERNOON

After a spell of rather chilly and threatening weather, snow began to fall this afternoon, but it melted on reaching the ground.

Christmas Sale

Mrs. Atherton, 497 School st., corner Branch, wishes to announce that she will hold her annual Christmas sale of useful and fancy articles on Dec. 12nd, 13rd and 14th.

DEPOT CASH MARKET

359 MIDDLESEX, CORNER KING STREET
One Block From Depot

These Prices Demand Your Attention

FISH	Fresh Shore Haddock, lb. 6c	Fresh Shoulders that are lean, lb. 12 1/2c	Good Flour, 75c
Extra Fine Mackerel, each 4c	Western Rump Steak, lb. 20c	Fancy Cookies, 3 lbs. 25c	Tea of all kinds, per lb. 25c
Fancy Fresh Eastern Halibut, lb. 15c	Corned Beef, lb. 8c to 12c	Creamery Butter, lb. 27c	Cooking Eggs, doz. 25c, 30c
Steak Salmon, lb. 15c	Beef for Mince Meat, lb. 10c	Carton Eggs, doz. 32c	We Are Selling All Vegetables at One Cent a Pound
White Fish, lb. 10c	Fresh Roast Pork, lb. 17c	Fancy Rump, short cuts, lb. 30c	Table Apples, pk. 20c
Clams, qt. 25c	Pork Chops, lb. 17c	Salt Pork, lb. 10 1/2c	9 Bars Jewell Soap, 25c
Oysters, qt. 35c	Fancy Herring, lb. 5c	Spare Ribs, lb. 9 1/2c	Ketchup, 3 bottles, 25c
Fresh Herring, lb. 5c	Legs of Milk Fed Veal, lb. 16c	Soup Bones, 6c	Extra Large Nice Onions, lb. 2c
Stew Beef, lean, lb. 8c	Sugar Cured Sliced Ham, lb. 15c	Fresh and Corned Tongue, lb. 15c	Leg of Spring Lamb, lb. 18c
Roast Beef, fresh cuts, lb. 12c	Leg of Spring Lamb, lb. 18c	Condensed Milk, 3 for 25c	Yearling Lamb Chops, lb. 15c
Sirloin Steak, lb. 15c	Three 10c pkgs. Macaroni, 25c	Tomato Soup, can. 6 1/2c	
Sirloin Roast, lb. 15c			
Hogs' Kidneys, lb. 8c			
Fresh Pigs' Feet, lb. 6c			

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TOWN OF DRACUT NEWS

Town Meeting Deals With School Matters—Items of Interest in the Town

A special town meeting was held at the Grange hall, Dracut Centre last evening, but despite the fact that the meeting had been properly advertised, the citizens showed a lack of interest and the attendance was small. The meeting was called at the request of the school committee for the purpose of appropriating the sum of \$3500 to carry the department through the year.

The meeting was opened by Town Clerk John W. Brennan, who stated that under a previous vote taken, the moderator elected at the annual town meeting, was also the presiding officer of all special meetings during the year, and accordingly George H. Stevens presided.

The article calling for a loan of \$3500 for school maintenance was read and ruled illegal by the moderator, who informed the voters that the law specifically states that a loan cannot be effected for the purpose of defraying a current expense charge.

Chairman E. W. Dennett of the school committee then addressed the gathering, saying that he was not aware of the illegality of the article until so informed by the town clerk.

After considerable discussion it was finally voted that the sum of \$3500 be transferred from the excess and deficiency fund and the same be appropriated for the maintenance and support of schools for the balance of the year.

Article three, relative to the action to be taken by the town regarding the disposal of certain property which has come into possession of the town through the tax collector's department,

the same being seized for unpaid taxes, was then taken up and the following motion presented by Attorney Fox was adopted:

"That the collector from year to year be authorized and empowered to manage and control and sell all lots or parcels of land heretofore taken or purchased by the town for taxes, and to sell the same for any sum not less than the amount named in the collector's deed or instrument of taking as due when the same was executed together with all expenses, interest, charges and subsequent taxes and assessments thereon and to execute and deliver on behalf of the town a release of all the town's rights, titles and interest therein."

This concluded the business of the evening and the meeting adjourned.

Hillside Literary Club

The vestry of the Hillside church was last night the scene of a large gathering, the occasion being an entertainment under the auspices of the Hillside Literary Club.

The affair was given under the personal direction of Mrs. Harry Moxley and Clarence Nichols, who were warmly congratulated for the artistic success of the event.

Two sketches were given, one being entitled "The Parliament of Servants," and the other, "An Awkward Squad." Those who figured in the first were Miss Ethel West, Miss Helen Thessley, Miss Mary Giffin, Miss Frances Gunther, Miss Ruth West, Miss Marion Sanborn, Mrs. E. A. Dickinson and Miss Violet Calhoun.

The cast in the second sketch was filled by the following: Edward Gunther, Harold Giffin, Simon Heyworth, George Gunther, Louis Ecklund, John Potts, George Moxley and Vernon Bickford.

Between the sketches a delightful musical program was given by the following: Jos. Curry, Miss Edna Kierstead, Miss Ethel Tucker, Miss Veronica Condry, Caleb Rogers, and the Hillside male quartet composed of Messrs. Hutchinson, Gunther, Scott and Heyworth. At the close of the performance tea and cake were served and a social hour was enjoyed.

Annual Fair

The annual fair and entertainment under the auspices of the Ladies Aid society of the Christian Endeavor church will be held in the vestry of the Dracut Centre church this evening, and the affair promises to be a real success.

The entertainment will consist of the following numbers: Miss Ella Calderwood, piano selections; Miss Olive White, violin selections; Miss Anna Roth, vocal selections; Miss Katherine Greene, readings. The event is in charge of two committees, one from the Ladies Aid society, headed by the president, Mrs. Selden Colburn, and the other from the Christian Endeavor society.

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Miss Anna Roth

The members of the Missionary society of the Dracut Centre church met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Daniel Fox. There were about 12 women in attendance and they were hospitably received by their hostess. A part of the afternoon was spent in discussing foreign missions and also in sewing for local charities. In the latter part of the afternoon refreshments were served and a social hour was enjoyed.

New Club

The members of the Holy Name society of St. Mary's church, Collinsville, are organizing a club to be known as the Holy Name club and it is expected the organization will start with a membership of over 100. The new organization will have its quarters in the lower part of Harmony hall, which will be equipped with amusements to be found in a modern up-to-date club.

A meeting to further plans for the organization will be held in the parish hall next Sunday at 11 o'clock. Plans will be formulated for future developments and officers pro tem will be chosen. All the young men of the parish are requested to be present.

Social and Dance

The members of the Holy Name society of St. Mary's church are organizing a social and dance which will be held in the near future at Harmony hall for the benefit of the church. A varied entertainment will be given and Minnie's orchestra will be in attendance.

The general committee in charge of the event is composed of the following: P. E. Silke, chairman; John McDonald, George Fogarty, Thomas Horman, Frank Cullinan and John W. Brennan.

Catholic Encyclopedia

The Catholic Encyclopedia, consisting of 16 volumes, which was purchased by the town, has been removed to the library building in the Centre village. Since the books were purchased, they held a conspicuous place in the Collinsville postoffice conducted by John J. Kie-nan & Son, for the benefit of the residents of that part of the town.

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A.O.H. TO SECEDE

Indignant at Anti-British Sentiments of Cum-mings and Others

FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 2.—Anti-British sentiments expressed by some Irish Americans have caused a Dominion-wide movement for Canadians of the Ancient Order of Hibernians to sever relations with the national organization in the United States.

Canadian Hibernians plan to have a distinctively Canadian organization of their own. The first move in this direction in eastern Canada was taken by the provincial board for the Maritime Provinces of Canada at a special meeting held here yesterday.

"Too much Cummings," was one explanation that was given by a high official of the board, while another said: "The sentiments expressed by the National organization for America do not suit us as Canadians."

"We decided to notify the editor of the National Hibernian to discontinue until further notice sending the official publication of the order in America to members in the Maritime Provinces," said an official statement after the meeting. "The question of complete secession was discussed, but the board could not decide the matter themselves. We did decide, however, to submit the question to a referendum vote in the provinces and to have the results returnable at the coming convention at Montreal next August."

This movement is not confined to the Maritime Provinces, but is part of a general movement all over the Dominion looking to the establishment of a distinctively Canadian order.

"Protests were received in large numbers expressing regret that irresponsible Irishmen would fall so low as to battle the Irish good name to the battlefields. The sense of the opinion of the meeting was that the action of John Redmond and the Irish soldiers who are enlisting to fight the battles of the empire was an index of the feeling of the Canadian Hibernians."

HARVARD CALL TO COLORS

STUDENTS TO FORM A PREPAREDNESS BATTALION—160 VOL-UNTEERS

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Four hundred Harvard students answered the call to the colors yesterday on the first day of enlisting in the proposed course in war preparedness at the university. Enlistment books were distributed at the freshmen dormitories, the principal meeting places of the students and the dining halls, and the men were urged to sign up a total enlistment of 400 in order to have the project materialized.

The Harvard student council, which is fostering the scheme of a Harvard battalion, gave the students until 6 p. m. tomorrow to get 400 enlisted, but the rush to sign the books was so great that late last night the required number had been obtained.

It is proposed to have two hours of military drill under the direction of a United States army officer, each week, and an hour's lecture on military subjects. The drilling will begin on Jan. 3, as soon as the students return to Cambridge from their Christmas recess, and will continue until June 1.

Archibald Roosevelt, son of Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, was the first man to sign at Harvard. He takes the same stand on preparedness as his distinguished parent. Closely following Archie in signing was Quentin Roosevelt, who is a member of the freshman class.

General Wood delegates from the Harvard student body will be sent to New York on Saturday to confer with Major-General Leonard Wood on the Harvard war course. They will tell him of the 400 men who have already enlisted and the prospect of having a full regiment of 1200 students by the end of the year.

The military course, if General Wood sanctions the project, the plan will be taken to President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard.

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land's "Beautiful roses," and as an encore she sang an American song, entitled "My Own Land." Miss Flora McLean danced the Highland sword dance and the Kirk Street church quartet was again heard in "Young Love, He Went a-Maying." Miss Thompson's second number was "Carmella and Rose," by Ganz. S. A. Callahan delighted his audience with two violin numbers, he being accompanied on the piano by Miss Veronica Redford. Mrs. Spence and Mrs. Spaulding rendered "The Tales of Hoffman," while Charles H. Howard rendered "The Song of the Sword." Mrs. Haskell gave a humorous reading and Miss Donahedian rendered "Good-Bye," by Tosti, while the closing number was a Scotch dance by Miss McLean.

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS

Continued

he greatly modified if it is to have even a fair party vote in its favor. Many old time democrats are inclined to hold fast to the present methods of free speech in the senate, and will not favor a gag rule of any sort. They also realize that should an attempt be made to force a stringent closure rule through, it might result in a prolonged filibuster in which much valuable time would be lost, and act to the prejudice of administration measures, by causing them to become strictly party measures. If the republicans are not unduly antagonized at the start, it is expected they will give strong support to many of the measures advocated by the president in the way of preparedness. With this in view, it is not regarded here as "good politics" to lock horns at the out-set.

The Bolting Senator

Senator Clark of Arkansas was marked to retire from the office of president pro tempore of the senate on account of his failure to support the administration shipping bill last year. He not only failed to support it but was with the opposition and so incurred the displeasure of those who followed the president's lead in opinion. They held that good team work was the only means to safeguard party measures and cannot forgive the Arkansas senator for his bolt. But the senator from Arkansas is a strong man with many friends. To depose him at this moment would rouse them to action and non-action would surely follow. In accordance with the policy of harmony it is probable the caucus will straighten out the tangle and Senator Clark retain his high office. He wouldn't discuss it today, but I noticed that his usually serious eyes were in an uncustomary twinkle in them, that didn't look like defeat.

Strenuous Session Ahead

Democratic leaders are looking forward to a long and strenuous session, but express the opinion that they will push through all the important measures and stand before the people with a clean slate. The great questions include defence, a revenue to meet the necessary preparedness, and the shipping bill. Congress faces a hard task, but proposes to meet it squarely. The democratic majority expects to pass a strong and unified bill to its republicans opponent, and give the country sound and serviceable legislation.

Republican Floor Leader

Republican Floor Leader Mann today predicted that the session will last far into the summer, and suggests there may be no adjournment, the long session of this winter merging with the short session of 1916. He bases this prediction on the amount of work laid out by the administration. And no matter how the wind blows, it will not be easy to keep partisanship out of the great questions.

With President Wilson and five republican senators announced or probable presidential candidates, no matter what congress may talk about it is pretty certain to be thinking politics, according to the Washington viewpoint.

Uncle Joe Coming Back

Although technically Uncle Joe Cannon will be a "new member" he will be accorded unusual privileges at the coming session. The fact is, however, much men out here may differ with the former speaker politically, nearly all of them have a warm personal regard for him, and they are to give him his old committee room in the capitol, which is one of the best in the building, and which a new member could never hope to get. And there isn't much doubt but what "Uncle Joe's" ever present cigar will take on an extra lilt the day he comes back to his own.

Speaker Clark Unperturbed

I saw Speaker Champ Clark a day or two ago. He is looking hale and hearty and had many pleasant things to say about his last speaking tour in Massachusetts.

FOR HIGH EXPLOSIVES

FEDERAL DYE-STUFF AND CHEMICAL CO. WILL MANUFACTURE PICTIC ACID

BRISTOL, Va., Dec. 2.—The Federal Dye-stuff and Chemical Co., which recently established a plant at Kingsport, will manufacture picric acid, a base for high explosives, it was announced yesterday by Allison M. Archer of New York, treasurer of the company. A. B. Du Pont, a brother of T. Coleman du Pont, former head of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Powder Co., is chairman of the board of directors of the Federal company, which is a Delaware corporation, capitalized at \$15,000,000. Large orders have already been offered for sulphuric and nitric acid and negotiations for the manufacture and delivery of 15,000 tons of picric acid to a foreign government are being carried on, it was said.

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The program, which proved to be of high quality, was well rendered and each number was properly appreciated. The program was as follows:

Kirk Street church quartet, Mrs. L. L. Hays, G. Spence, soprano; Mrs. May Everett, Spaulding, contralto; Harry N. Patterson, tenor and Charles H. Howard, bass, rendered in fine style "When the Heart is Young," Arthur C. Spaulding, the accompanist. Miss Edna P. Thompson sang "If You Call Me," while Julian Dodge Haskell gave the reading "The Heart of the Br'er Rabbit."

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THE MEXICAN SITUATION

Prospect of Another Attack on Agua Prieta by Villa Forces—Villa Advised Reprisals

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 2.—Prospect of another attack on Agua Prieta with consequent menace to this city just across the border; concern over the safety of Americans in territory where Villa's scattered forces are roaming; and the possibility of a reorganization of the Villa government and the election of a new president by the "sovereign convention" to be held soon at Aguaz are the chief points of interest today in the series of quick moving events in Mexico.

General Alvaro Obregón, the Carranza chief, is at Agua Prieta today to assist Don Campbell in arrangements for defense against a threatened attack by Villa forces under General José Rodríguez, reported to be advancing rapidly toward the border town. Until the arrival of 5000 troops, being transported, with the permission of Washington, over American territory, the Agua Prieta garrison is conceded to be wholly inadequate to cope with Rodríguez's superior forces.

News is anxiously awaited from John Cunningham, an Oklahoma attorney, and Gus Hendrickson, H. G. Southern and Rafael Varela, mine owners, all of whom are reported to have fallen into the hands of Rodríguez's troops.

Anxiety over Americans in northern Mexico has been heightened by reports that Villa has advised reprisals against Americans because of the United States government's recognition of the Carranza provisional government and the aid given in permitting Carranza troops to be transported over American territory.

In response to warnings by General Obregón, Americans have left the gold mining camps at El Tigre, Sonora, for the border. American employees of the big mining works at Cananea, however, apparently have not heeded the warning and most of them remain in the danger zone.

According to reports received at Douglas, the entire command of 1400 men of General Obregón, Villa's Yagui chief, has surrendered to Carranza forces at Canby. Urbalejo himself is said to have escaped.

GAVE SPLENDID CONCERT

FIRST IN SERIES OF TEACHERS' ORGANIZATION, PROVED AN ARTISTIC SUCCESS

An unusually large and appreciative audience gathered in Colonial hall last evening to enjoy the first of a series of three concerts produced under the auspices of the Lowell Teachers' association. The first concert took the form of a joint recital by Alvin Schroeder, cellist, and Blanch Hamilton Fox, contralto, with Charles Shepherd as accompanist. This effort to promote a love for good music locally was started last season, and it looks as though the people of Lowell are awake to the possibilities of the movement and determined to encourage it in the most practical of all ways—by earnest patronage.

The concert was a notable musical event which repaid fully not only those who attended, but the members of the teachers' organization who have been so untiring in fostering the better things in the social life of the city.

Following is the program:

Variations Symphoniques, Beethoven
L'amour est un dieu, Robelle
Pres des remparts de Seville, Georges Bizet
Chansons d'amour, H. H. A. Beach
Walden, Adagio, Dvorak
La Preceuse, Schreder
My Soul is Like a Garden, Cooper
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Loch Lomond, Old Scotch
A May-pole Dance
A Birthday, Huntington-Woodman
L'Cygne, Saint-Saens
Hymnus, Schreder
The Bee, Schreder
Ave Maria, Bach-Gounod
Miss Fox and Mr. Schroeder

The playing of Alvin Schroeder has been more than once commented on favorably by press and public in Lowell. In a concert before the Women's club a few weeks ago he demonstrated his ability in orchestral music, and in a less effective as a soloist last evening. He draws a smooth, full tone from his instrument and while avoiding the sentimental appeal of the popular "cello" he has the great power of expression. His interpretation of the opening number was delightful, the theme flowing smoothly through the maze of delicate variations. The playing of the delicate and the powerful in the Dvorak number, an appealing plaintiveness in the lovely selection from Saint-Saens and the reverent hymn of the "Bee" of Mr. Schroeder's treatment of his instrument in lighter themes. He

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Cabbage, lb. 1c	Fancy Table Syrup, Regu. 20c
Turnips, Carrots, Beets, lb. 2c	lar 25c bottle 20c
Fancy Apples, pk. 15c	Pork and Beans, tomato sauce 10c cans, 3 cans 25c
Very Good Eggs, doz. 25c, 28c	Sweet Tender Corn, can. 8c
Fancy Creamery Butter, lb. 32c	Early June Peas, can. 8c
Pure Lard, lb. 12 1/2c	Tomatoes, heavy packed, can 10c
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Sweet Florida Oranges, doz. 20c	
Sweet Florida Oranges, very large, doz. 25c	

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Roast Pork, strictly fresh 13c	Chicago Rump Steak, 15c, 18c 20c
Beef to Boil 7c, 8c	Best Pork Chops 14c
Chuck Roast Beef 12c, 14c	Lamb Chops, genuine spring lamb 20c
Sirloin Roast from best steer beef 20c	Corned Beef 8c and up
Heavy Salt Pork 12 1/2c	
Salt Spare Ribs 10c	

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No headache, sour stomach, bad cold or constipation by morning.

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CLUB HOUSE BOY'S HOME

COURT REFUSES TO GIVE THIS MOTHER THE CUSTODY OF HER CHILD

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Mrs. Annie E. Davis, granted a decree nisi in the divorce court last March on the ground of cruel and abusive treatment on the part of her husband, Maurice L. Davis, steward of the Colonial club, Dorchester, was refused the custody of their 6-year-old son, Edward Durant Davis, by Judge Morton in the equity session of the superior court yesterday.

After a long hearing on Mrs. Davis' petition for a modification of the decree giving the husband custody of the boy, Judge Morton made a rather sharp criticism of the petitioner. He said in part: "There is not the slightest ground for this petition, and such a case should not be brought into court unless you have got the evidence to back it up."

One of the reasons Mrs. Davis gave on the witness stand why her husband is unable to take proper care of the boy was that a clubhouse is not a proper place for a child to live in. She said there are no women or other proper persons to look after the child. During the last six or eight months Mrs. Davis said her husband had been over by an automobile, and also had hurt himself falling down stairs, she said.

She testified that in her opinion the boy did not get enough to eat and that his clothes were dirty at times. Mrs. Davis said she and her husband friend living on Warwick street near Lenox street, in the South End, who would take the boy and bring him up properly in her own home.

Several physicians and other members of the Colonial club testified that Mr. Davis was all that could be desired as a steward and also that he seemed a model father to his little son.

KEPT MONEY IN SHOES

WOMAN CAUGHTED SUMS OF \$5000 ALSO IN HER STOCKINGS—TESTIFIED AT HEARING IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Mrs. Martha V. Bense staggered some of her hearers in court yesterday afternoon when she testified she had been in the habit of totting around \$4000 or \$5000 in cash on her person—some in her shoes, some in the toes of her stockings and some in the bosom of her dress.

She was one of the respondents in the proceedings against George H. Hatchard of Hull against Miss Ida M. Freer, Mrs. Martha V. Bense and Eli B. Vrooman, all of the South End, Boston, who were heard by Judge Wait in the equity merit session of the superior court.

Mr. Hatchard claims that on Nov. 25, 1913, he went surety on a bond to dissolve an attachment placed on the Ida M. Freer Vehicle company, the defendants in a civil suit, and paid out \$1200, which he kept her money. She replied that she had sometimes carried \$4000 or \$5000 in her clothes. She utilized her shoes, toes of her stockings and bosom of her dress, she said.

In reply to a question as to where she got her money, she said she received about \$500 from her grandmother.

Mrs. Bense said she did not have any regular accounts of her transactions with her sister, but kept track of her loans, etc., on slips of paper. She produced several of these to refresh her memory about different loans, but found it difficult to give exact dates. The case will be continued today.

WATSON CASE MISTRIAL

JURY, OUT SINCE TUESDAY AFTERNOON, IS UNABLE TO REACH A VERDICT

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 2.—A mistrial was ordered in the federal court here last night in the case of Thomas E. Watson, the Thomson, Ga. editor and senator, charged with having sent obscene matter through the mails. The jury, which had had the case before it since Tuesday afternoon, reported it could not agree.

DEAF-MUTE ADMITTED YOUNG SOLDIERS

SARAH WEIN, AGED 5, ALLOWED TO JOIN HER PARENTS IN THIS COUNTRY

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Mayor Curley was notified last night that the federal authorities at Washington had granted his plea that Sarah Wein, the 5-year-old child of Bernard and Rita Wein of Roxbury, be admitted to this country. The mayor took action on the request of the parents, after the officials at the Ellis Island immigration station had ordered the child deported.

The case was one of the most pathetic that has come to the attention of the mayor. The child is deaf and dumb. Every appeal to Commissioner Howe of the Ellis Island immigration station proved fruitless.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

FAIR AT HIGHLAND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OPENED YESTERDAY—FAIR AT TRINITARIAN

The Highland Congregational church fair opened in the church vestry yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock and there was something doing every minute until 10 o'clock last night. Supper was served at 8 o'clock and was followed by an entertainment. The sales tables were prettily arranged about the vestry and were well patronized.

The miscellaneous table was in charge of Mrs. Chalmers P. Dyke and Mrs. C. Marshall Forrest. Miss Elsie Bland and Mrs. Leighton had supervision over the apron table; Mrs. Frank Haines and Mrs. Orlis Byam presided at the bag and towel table; Miss Eva Craven and Mrs. Ernest Wheeler were in charge of the doll table; the flower table was looked after by Miss Cora Buckland and the following committee, of which she was chairman: Dorothy Pratt, Elizabeth Hale, Sadie Ross, Helen Webster, Emily Fraser, Alice Kimball and Jennie Durant. Mrs. A. F. Grant and Miss Elizabeth Wilson were in charge of the candy table and they were assisted by Mrs. H. A. Hall, Mrs. A. W. Smith and Miss Buttrick's Sunday school classes. Percy McMaster and Fred Whitney did a rushing business in ice cream and tonics and Arthur Huggard looked all records as a popcorn and peanut merchant.

An excellent chicken pie supper was served at 10 o'clock and was enjoyed by more than 200 persons. The supper was served under the direction of Mrs. Fred Ingham, assisted by the capable committee. The entertainment program consisted of phonograph selections, the phonograph being operated by Thomas Wardell. There was Mendelssohn's "Song" by Miss Hazel Stevens and Miss Grace Warren. Miss Cora Buckland was chairman of the committee in charge of the arrangements of the fair and her committee included Mrs. Bradt, Mrs. C. M. Forrest, Mrs. Cheney and Mrs. James Bradley.

First Trinitarian Church
A children's cantata, "Santa Claus' Dream," was the big feature of the annual fair which opened at the First Trinitarian Congregational church yesterday afternoon. The 26 children engaged in the cantata were under the direction of Mrs. Chas. T. Upton, with Miss Eva Henderson as accompanist.

The various tables, attractively decorated, were in charge of the following committees:
Candy table—Mrs. John Buckley, chairman; Mrs. Joseph Miller, Mrs. Ralph Locke, Mrs. Edward Stanley, Mrs. Raymond Coffin, Mrs. Luther Caslin, Mrs. Eric Farnham, and Misses Fanny Murphy, Ida Higgins, Elmore Dicks, Elizabeth Coffey, Grace Hoyt, Bertha George, Mary Slickney, Agnes Robertson, Jennie Clark and Allona Harvey.

Apron table—Mrs. Farnham, chairman; Mrs. Goodall, Mrs. York, Mrs. Clifton, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. J. Willard, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. H. W. Maynard, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Gunston, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Freeman, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Dearden, Mrs. Don, Mrs. Whitler, Mrs. Tiffany, Mrs. Moulton, Mrs. Bixby, Mrs. Emery, Mrs. Shedd, Mrs. Coter and Misses Wright and Ray.

Fancy table—Mrs. William Wright and Mrs. George May, chairman; Mrs. Goodnow, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. John Kasey, Mrs. T. Kelley, Mrs. M. French, Mrs. Merrill, Mrs. Upton, Mrs. R. Gamble, Mrs. Hearst, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Root, Mrs. W. Muzzey, Mrs. McKinley, Mrs. Bessie Caslin, Mrs. Stanton, Mrs. A. Brigham, Mrs. C. E. Conant, Mrs. W. W. Wiggles, Mrs. Charles Duran, Mrs. John Briggs, Mrs. Harry Graves, Mrs. Hector Turnbull, Mrs. J. Coburn, Mrs. Dane, Mrs. Ranger, Mrs. William Myers, Mrs. Livingston, Mrs. Lawrence Keizer, Mrs. William Martin, Mrs. Charles Clogston, Mrs. E. Perry, and the Misses Parker, Atwell, Wheeler and Chas. McAdams, Dane, Cloyd, Robertson and Buss.

Fish and mystery line table—Rev. Raymond G. Clapp and members of the Boy Scouts and Boys' Brigade, including Lewis Robbins, Norwalk Lockhart, John Tiffany, Theodore Kelsey and Lelana Wells.

Flower table—Mrs. Crawford. The kitchen was in charge of Mrs. Cutting's Sunday school class and the dining room was supervised by Mrs. A. K. Petrie, assisted by Misses Bertha Shirley, Grace Hoyt, Muriel Thurber, Ida Thurber, Bessie Ranlett, and Mrs. Thurber.

St. Paul's Church
At a business meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of St. Paul's church, held last evening, plans for the annual bazaar and a jubilation on New Year's were discussed and this feature will probably be made a part of the watch night service. Previous to the meeting the monthly supper was served and was in charge of Mrs. C. C. Drew and Mrs. Elmore Dean.

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Eleventh Annual Ball of O. M. I. Cadets Held at Associate Hall

The eleventh annual officers' ball of the O. M. I. Cadets, held at Associate hall last night, was one of the prettiest and most successful social events of the season. Everything was carried out with military precision, and the beautiful decorations, the bewitching gowns,



MAJOR WILLIAM F. CONROY

natty blue uniforms and delightful music, all combined to make the affair an unprecedented success.

The interior of the large dance hall was brilliant with national colors. The stage had for a background flags arranged in triple sunburst effect, with the orchestra partially concealed from view by the potted plants, palms, ferns and other greenery. The balcony, which was well filled with the parents, relatives and friends of the young soldiers, was hung with numerous American banners and long strings of incandescent lights from every corner of the hall were caught up at the centre chandelier, which also bore the national colors.

The officers wore full dress uniform. The privates and other non-commissioned officers were attired in their smartly West Point uniforms. Shortly after 8:30 o'clock the grand march, led by Major William Conroy and Miss Elizabeth Conroy, started from the outer corridor. As the long line wound its way down the centre of the floor, a very pretty picture was presented, and the marchers were greeted by enthusiastic applause by those in the gallery.

The marchers went through many intricate evolutions and finally wound up by forming the letters "O. M. I." A ball with a large attendance was a feature of the evening, which resulted in the following: Chief ranger, Orestes Tremblay; vice chief ranger, Eugene Tremblay; recording secretary, A. N. Boulais; secretary-treasurer, Fredrick G. Gaudreau; L. N. Mott; trustee, E. Verlier; master of ceremonies, and sick wardens, Joseph Parent and Joseph Lozeau.

Those who took part in the grand march were as follows: Maj. William Conroy and Miss Elizabeth Conroy; Capt. Owen Conway and Miss Madeline Dupuis; Capt. John Sullivan and Miss Catherine Bean; Capt. Ed. LeCam and Miss Catherine Fagan; Capt. Walter J. F. Esplanade and Miss Margaret Wyman; Capt. Joseph Boyd and Miss Mildred McGowan; Lieut. Leo Callahan and Miss Helen Mulligan; Lieut. Frank Callahan and Miss Georgia Keith; Lieut. Leo Richards and Miss Esther Richards; Lieut. Charles O'Dwyer and Miss Ruth Delaronde; Lieut. Paul Angelo and Miss Helen Billingsley; Lieut. Robert Leith and Miss Lydia Parent; Lieut. Arthur Lamonde and Miss Catherine May; Lieut. Frank Gargan and Miss Theresa McCarron; Quartermaster Albert Latour and Miss Rosa Costello; Wardenfield; Thomas Carlin and Miss Eleanor Adams; Ernest Ready and Miss Daly; Kay Gendreau and Miss Beata Gendreau; Christopher Laplace and Miss Alice Laplace, followed by a number of high school officers and their partners.

The cadet officers in charge of the affair and to whom its success is due included the following:
General manager, Maj. William F. Conroy; assistant general manager, Capt. Owen Conway; floor director, Capt. John Sullivan; assistant floor director, Capt. Ed. LeCam; aids, Capt. William Esplanade and Quartermaster Frank Leith; reception committee, Capt. Joseph Boyd, chairman, and Adj. Joseph Taff, Lieut. Leo Callahan, Charles O'Dwyer, Frank Callahan, Leo Richards, Paul Angelo, Alfred Latour, Frank Gargan, Joyce Leith, Arthur Lamond.

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Court St. Antoine, C.O.F.

The regular meeting of the members of Court St. Antoine, C.O.F., was held last night at the C.M.A.C. hall with a large attendance. A feature of the evening was the election of officers, which resulted in the following: Chief ranger, Orestes Tremblay; vice chief ranger, Eugene Tremblay; recording secretary, A. N. Boulais; secretary-treasurer, Fredrick G. Gaudreau; L. N. Mott; trustee, E. Verlier; master of ceremonies, and sick wardens, Joseph Parent and Joseph Lozeau.

Citizens-Americans

At a regular meeting of the members of the Citizens-Americans club held in their headquarters in Middle street last evening, the nomination of officers took place with the following result: President, Maxime Lepine (unopposed); vice president, Timothee Roy and Achille St. Pierre; treasurer, Arthur Lavoie (unopposed); recording secretary, Hervé Thibault and Arthur Robillard; directors, Hormisdas Arivais, Philadine Boivin, Absalon Gaudreau, Phillis Lapanne, William Gauthier, George Pelletier and Alexandre Dion; sergeant-at-arms, Frank McKinnon (unopposed). The election will take place on Dec. 5.

TEWKSBURY

The Christmas fair and supper conducted in the vestry hall, Tewksbury Centre, Tuesday evening under the auspices of the ladies of the church, netted the sum of \$305.39. Those who were in charge of the event were as follows: Miss Maria T. Delano, Mrs. H. J. Patten, Mrs. H. M. Billings, Adolph B. Moore, Mrs. Carroll Edcomb, Miss Hannah J. Chandler, Mrs. C. H. Kittredge, Mrs. Alden S. Haines.

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HIGH SCHOOL HALL

The proposition of Commissioner Duncan for the use of the new high school hall as a public hall is so absurd that it carries its own condemnation, and yet the municipal council has shown zeal for proposals almost as silly. It is therefore most important that the public think the matter over in order to prevent the adoption of a policy that would prove absolutely ridiculous. It may seem like good politics to a few officials to give the people a makeshift for a public hall, but it would prove very bad business to spoil our high school while leaving the need for a public hall unrelieved.

Even though the hall in the new school annex were large enough to warrant public meetings, it would still be essentially a school hall, needed for drills, school dramas and occasional social affairs. If seats are to be used, they must be removable and of such a nature that the floor space could be cleared at short notice. On the other hand, such seats would prove entirely unsatisfactory in a public hall, and so there would be constant friction between the two functions of such a hall.

Again, a public hall should be available for public uses all of the time or it would not be a public hall in reality. A high school hall would be the scene of many evening functions on which the general public could not intrude. It would be very difficult to arrange a program that would not clash in some particulars, and with regard to a public hall there can be no fixed program. To carry the functions of a public hall into a school building would therefore prove impractical and unwise.

If the high school hall proposition looks foolish from the point of view of those who agitate a new public hall, it looks still more foolish to those familiar with school requirements. Anybody who realizes the purpose of school buildings would not favor the carrying of public agitations into a high school. It would be obviously impossible to have a large civic exposition such as was held recently at the Kasino, or any other display that would call for a constant attendance covering a period of several days. It would be impossible also to have an anti-tuberculosis exhibit, a pure food exhibit, a city planning exhibit, or any of the things that other cities hold in public halls as a means of educating public opinion and creating a strong sentiment for civic reform. It would be also impossible to have musical affairs on occasions or anything that would interfere with the actual school work, for evening classes it is to be presumed will still be held. It would of course be entirely out of the question to hold a political rally in the high school, and yet such rallies could appropriately be held by all parties if the city had a large and adequate public hall. The high school hall will probably be on the upper floor, but a public hall should not be above the second story.

The new high school hall should be suitable for musical recitals, school dramas, educational meetings and lectures. In this way it might be made a source of income by being opened to such events as are now held at Colonial hall or the Playhouse. It should meet all the requirements of the school department for graduation and all similar exercises.

At best, the high school hall could serve as a public hall in a very limited sense. Lowell needs a large and individual hall in which many large projects may be housed and to which the Lowell public may be invited without restriction. If we cannot have such a hall for many years to come, let us make up our minds to do without it, rather than spoil our high school and yet fall to give the public what is needed either in a high school or a public hall.

A STRONG APPEAL

At the meeting held in Lawrence on Tuesday, representatives of the civic organizations of Lowell, Lawrence, Haverhill and Newburyport decided to appeal promptly and strongly against the adverse decision of Col. Craigbill on the plans for the navigation of the Merrimack river, and to ask for another hearing before the board of army engineers early in February. An effort will also be made to have Nashua and Manchester represented as there is a growing feeling in these cities in favor of deepening the river from Manchester downward. The interstate support would make the Merrimack valley position stronger, and it is possible that some favorable compromise may be arrived at or at least that the prohibitive ban be lifted, for until the federal experts signify their approval, it is useless to agitate river navigation.

It is to be hoped that the request for another hearing will be granted, and that the supporters of the navigation plans will appear in large numbers and armed with strong arguments at the next hearing. That they made a strong appeal on their first appearance was evident, but apparently their testimony and business data did not carry much weight. The question of cost undoubtedly was a deterrent factor, especially in view of the heavy

government expenditures that are coming for preparedness, but this does not quite explain the obduracy of government officials.

At the next meeting at Washington, the Merrimack valley delegation should strive to discover the source of opposition to the Merrimack river development in order that adverse arguments may be met. That it will prove costly is unquestionable, but the friends of the measure believe that the cost will be repaid in a surprisingly short space of time by savings on freight, and the business improvement along the river bank. Railroads and water interests may not regard the agitation favorably, but the opposition should in all fairness come out as openly as the friends of Merrimack river development have done in the hearing at Washington and the more recent meeting at Lawrence. Success must eventually come if the agitation is kept up with sincerity and spirit.

THE COLOSSAL COST

It is a terrible commentary on this war that the papers have given up computing the cost in life and content themselves with discussing the cost in money. It brings us back to the first principle that the nation which can stand the biggest financial drain will win, and the prominence given to the finance of the war by the leaders in the belligerent nations emphasizes this truth. Andrew Bonar Law declared at a banquet in London Tuesday night that the wealth of England has not been touched and that England can stand the strain longest. Yet all the nations are crying out for the most rigid economy, and the cost of the war is staggering the world.

An idea of the vastness of the war expenditures may be gained from the following figures, compiled by the Economist, which takes a conservative stand: Great Britain spends per day \$22,500,000; Germany, \$20,000,000; France, \$12,500,000; Russia, \$12,500,000; Austria, \$12,500,000; Italy, \$7,500,000; Belgium, Serbia and Turkey, \$2,500,000. Not less than \$50,000,000 a day is being spent in war. In another year the warring nations will be burdened with additional debt to the amount of \$32,550,000,000.

As may be seen, the British expenditure is the heaviest, the prime minister having recently declared that there is little hope of its being kept under \$25,000,000 a day. In one year it will amount to three-fourths of the national income. A few comparisons, as given by a leading English economist, may give a better idea of the cost: The Crimean war cost Britain what she is spending in two weeks; the Boer war cost her what she is spending in eight weeks, and the twelve years' Napoleonic war did not cost her what she is spending in nine weeks. Can it be wondered that economy is urged, or that all the nations are fighting desperately to avoid defeat and the paying of an indemnity?

IN THE REICHSTAG

The reading of the important speech made in the Reichstag by Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the imperial treasury, will not arouse a great deal of confidence in those in sympathy with Germany. It is far more sober in tone than the average German official statement, and for the first time there are hints of deep-seated economic trouble within the empire. In fact its most striking feature was the contrast between the recital of great military victories and the economic depression which enemies of Germany have confidently predicted.

After a brief review of the situation in the east and west and the ending of the Serbian campaign, the secretary spoke on the necessity for taxation as a means of raising revenue, with reference to a tax on war profits and an increase in income tax. Coming to the food question, he said: "We have corn for bread. Potatoes, the most important food of the people, are abundant. If, in other things, there may be a scarcity, as cannot be disputed, yet the hardships thus caused to a majority of the poorer population will be surmounted by the organization of the provision market."

Germany had hoped for a speedy victory, but the war has dragged on for almost a year and a half, and the allies are holding together in a determination to win. The starvation policy of England is evidently proving effective, and the vigilant British navy is proving the greatest foe of the Fatherland. Germany is feeling the pinch of poverty in soldiers, in masses, in fact, and if the allies can hold together, it looks as though Germany must soon wear out. Yet, this is not

intestinal indigestion. Some people think that the entire process of digestion takes place in the stomach.

There is intestinal digestion and there is intestinal indigestion, and the latter is usually associated with constipation. Sometimes it is the cause, sometimes the effect. Harsh, strong purgatives that clear the intestines quickly leave the delicate membranes inflamed and very usually in a worse condition than before. It is to avoid just such results that the new laxative, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, were devised. They are dainty, sugar-coated granules and they act gently with no stripping.

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by any means certain, though the view is supported by the admissions of the Reichstag.

WOMEN WORKERS

The difference between physical work as contrasted with mental has been the source of much controversy and it has figured occasionally in court proceedings. A typical instance has just been revealed in a decision handed down by the state supreme court. Under the terms of the law limiting the hours of women an employing company was prosecuted and convicted for having employed a woman cashier for more than 54 hours in one week. The defence offered was that the cashier was not a laborer in the sense of the statute, but the supreme court has decided otherwise, and the ruling will be received with interest in all labor circles.

It is gratifying to find that such a principle has gained such high recognition, for the worker in mental pursuits often works harder than the worker whose tasks are purely physical. The man in the sever or the woman at the loom may go home with tired muscles and a lame back, but the effects are transitory and their health does not necessarily suffer. The girl in the office, on the other hand, has a far greater responsibility and there is a far greater strain on her mind. There are more office workers, writers, teachers, etc., in the ranks of nervous wrecks than there are laborers, and our sanatoriums will show that it is for the advantage of the race that the health of our mental workers be conserved.

The 54 hour law was passed to prevent the exploitation of labor and to save many workers from themselves, and it applies with as much force to the worker in the office as to the girl at the counter or in the factory.

FEAR OF COMPETITION

Advocates of a high tariff are taking advantage of the war to create a scare that when the war is over Europe will flood our markets with cheap products. This movement is known abroad, and some of the comments made are highly interesting. Robert Pinot, secretary of an organization which represents all the iron and steel manufacturers of France, gave a very interesting interview to the Associated Press a few days ago during which he declared the American argument ridiculous. The opening paragraph, which sounds true and sincere, will serve to show how slight is the tissue on which the forecasters of calamity would build:

"It is unfortunately true that we must look to the United States for several years to supply us with money or credits, and with raw and manufactured materials. I say this is unfortunately true because I realize that we will be working for the next 20 years to pay what we owe. Not before that time can we begin to put any profits in our own pockets. The fear that as soon as the war is ended the manufacturers now busy making arms and cannon and shells will convert their factories into the making of products to compete with yours is unfounded."

Anybody who realizes even faintly the drains of the war will be ready to acknowledge that this French leader speaks the truth and that America need have no fear of unfair competition when the war is over. All the nations will have too much to do through years of reconstruction to prevent their trying to undersell us in our home markets. War has given birth to a crop of fears in this country but at least this one fear is groundless.

SEEN AND HEARD

A pretty girl who doesn't know that she is pretty is much duller than the average.

It is always very discouraging to a man who is running for office to meet somebody who doesn't know it.

If a man is always polite and courteous, women are willing to forgive him a great many serious faults.

The man who has spent three months at a fishing resort ought to be able to tell newcomers the best places to go to get fish, but he doesn't always do it.

Sometimes it doesn't add so much to the joy of life to have a friend come in when you are busy, just to tell you a new automobile joke.

If a fountain pen will only write right off the first time trying and keep

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writing as long as it is needed, it is well worth all it cost.

Some people who go to church regularly every Sunday might be embarrassed if you should ask them to tell you what the minister preached about two weeks ago.

Not So Romantic

Fred Jones, the writer on naval subjects, tells a story of an old gentleman, an enthusiastic navy leaver, who visited Portsmouth, England, and looked at Nelson's Victory lying in the harbor. A bluejacket passed. The old gentleman seized him, and pointed to the Victory floating in the glory of the sunset.

"You know what that ship means my man?"

"Rather," replied the bluejacket, "it's the old tub they holds courts-martial in."

Known Hard and Harder

In the smoking room of a New York hotel, during a recent educational conference, one schoolmaster approached another, and by way of introducing himself said:

"I'm Black."

"That's good," replied the man addressed, taking the proffered hand, "I'm more so."

"You're what?" asked the first speaker.

"I say I am more so," repeated the second.

"What do you mean by that?"

"Why, you say you are Black."

"Well, my name is Becker."

Your Christmas Presents

The Lowell postoffice, postoffices in the suburban towns and postoffices all over America are now preparing to handle the annual rush of holiday and Christmas mail matter. It is just as important to remind the public to do their Christmas shopping early as to do their Christmas shopping early.

Early mailing, secure wrapping and plain addressing are urged by the postoffice authorities and in order to encourage early mailing the postoffice department is sponsoring the writing of "Do Not Open Until Christmas" or words to that effect. The postal authorities have suggested the following "Don'ts" for those sending Christmas mail.

Don't forget to seal parcels securely. Don't seal, as wrapped packages, call for letter rates.

Don't forget to write address plainly. Don't forget to put sender's name, and address on upper left hand corner. Don't fail to insure valuable packages.

And above all, mail Christmas gifts early.

If you do you will not only be sure to get gifts arrive in season, but will assist the overworked postal men. Persons contemplating the purchase of money orders as Christmas presents for relatives and friends in Europe are advised to obtain them by December 1, or as soon thereafter as possible. Owing to the war, all mails for Europe are subject to censorship and delay and the transmission of money orders is not accepted, even if intended for countries not actually engaged in war.

Unmistakable

She's such a charming little lass, she sits my heart a-heaving, if she were to turn me down, she sure would be a blessing.

She wins the hearts of all she meets because she is so sweet, and even those whom she rejects would never call her heartless.

More certainly no lass could be more winsome, natter, neater, and all the poets that she meets sing of her charms in metre.

She's just adored, this lovely lass, by all her seven brothers, but she, alas! can never be mine, because she is another's.

—Somerville Journal.

TO INCREASE R. R. RATES

NEW YORK CENTRAL FILES PETITION—PASSENGER BUSINESS NOT PAYING, SAYS AGENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—In explanation of the New York Central's action in filing with the up-state public service commission a schedule of tariffs based on a rate of 2 1/2c a mile L. F. Vosburgh, general passenger agent of the road, said today that the cost of operation forced the change.

"We are trying to make our passenger business pay its share of income," said Mr. Vosburgh. "In view of the increased cost of wages and of steel cars, which is double that of wooden cars 15 years ago, the many safety devices demanded, the cost of power and other items of increased expense, we believe the increase is justified. Other roads have recognized this and have raised their rates. The New Haven and other New England lines did it last year."

The passenger fare from New York to Buffalo is not affected and, it was said, most of the western rates will be unchanged.

TWENTY YEARS PASTOR

ANNIVERSARY OF REV. CALLEB E. FISHER AT FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH SUNDAY

An anniversary service will be held in the First Universalist church Sunday morning commemorating the conclusion of the Rev. Caleb E. Fisher's 20th year as pastor of the church. On Wednesday evening the Men's club of the church will tender Dr. Fisher a reception. A banquet will be served, addresses will be given by local clergymen and others and a special musical program will be furnished.

Dr. Fisher began his pastorate at the First Universalist church 20 years ago next Wednesday, coming here from Utica, N. Y. Since then the membership of the church has increased steadily and today it is one of the largest in the city.

DOGS AND CATS POISONED

VALUABLE ANIMALS MISSING IN ATHOL—ATTORNEY FIELD REPORTS LOSS

ATHOL, Dec. 2.—The mystery attached to the poisoning of many dogs, cats and chickens in the section of the town known as Vineland, at Athol Highlands, during the past few weeks was increased yesterday, when Attorney Charles Field, son of the late Judge Field, stated that a valuable cat owned by the family had been poisoned.

Attorney Field lives some distance from Vineland.

J. E. Murphy of the Athol Supply Co. said yesterday that a dog valued at \$35 had been missing several days and it may be that this animal has met the same fate of others in town.

The police have been working on the Vineland case for several days.

SHOE CUTTERS STRIKE

70 EMPLOYEES OF SPRINGVALE, ME., PLANT QUIT—WORK TRANSFERRED TO CAMBRIDGE

SPRINGVALE, Me., Dec. 2.—Seventy shoe cutters walked out of factories 3 and 4 of the Sears, Roebuck company here yesterday morning. Yesterday afternoon the equipment of the cutting department was transferred to the company's factory at Cambridge, Mass.

The cutters struck because of dissatisfaction over a price put on a certain pattern by the company. Frank Case, superintendent of the shoe department of the Sears, Roebuck company of Chicago, and Manager McDermott of the Boston office arrived at Springvale two hours after the cutters walked out. A conference was held and the shipment of the equipment to Cambridge began.

KEPT FROM CHILDREN

MRS. RANTOUL HAS NOT TOLD LITTLE ONES OF RUMRILL'S RE-NEWED VISITS

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—For more than a year—ever since an evening in the early fall of 1914, when Chester C. Rumrill called upon Mrs. Louis Burnett Rantoul at her Jamaica Plain home and renewed the friendship that had come to a sudden and disastrous end in July, 1911—Mrs. Rantoul has kept all knowledge of his visits, his telephone calls and his correspondence from the two children whose whole future lives may be changed by the outcome of the hearings now underway in the probate court at East Cambridge.

To this fact Mrs. Rantoul testified yesterday afternoon, while under cross-examination by her husband's attorney. She is battling with every resource at her command to defeat the purpose of her husband, Edward L. Rantoul, who is asking the courts for sole custody of his little ones.

These children—Harriet, aged 10, and Mabel, who is only nine—who have been the centre of a renewed family squabble that twice before has been aired in court, are, according to their mother's testimony, entirely unaware of the storm that is raging about them. They do not know that they are figuring so prominently in the news of the day. They know nothing of the coming into their mother's life anew of the wealthy young Springfield banker, whose recent visits are being now offered, among other things, as evidence of the alleged unfitness of their mother to care for them.

HULL TO BUY ITS LIGHT

TOWN WILL PURCHASE CURRENT AND DISTRIBUTE IT OVER ITS OWN WIRES AND POLES

HULL, Dec. 2.—The committee of 11 appointed to investigate the advisability of selling the Hull municipal electric lighting plant to the Weymouth Electric Light company last night presented its report.

The proposition to purchase the current from an outside company to be distributed by the town over its own poles and wires was accepted.

This means the town will have to appropriate \$3000 the first year and less each year as the income is increased. There will be a special town meeting at an early date to confirm its adoption.

ELIOT CHURCH SUPPER

Dramatic Sketch Presented by the Children—Large Number in Attendance

The annual December supper and entertainment held last evening in the vestry of the Eliot Congregational church attracted a large number of members and friends. A palatable supper was served at 6:30 o'clock after which a sketch entitled "The Woman in the Shoe" was given. The part of the old woman was interpreted by Mrs. Nichols and the program and children taking part were as follows: Song, Elton and Elsie Silk; "Peter-Peter," Joseph F. Burtt and Caroline Duncan; "Little Boy Blue," Pauline Foster; "Little Boy Blue," Helen Cady; "There Was a Little Girl Who Had a Little Curl," Margaret Onley; "Little Red Riding Hood," Elizabeth Torlgan; song, "Peter Noddy," Richard Burtt; "Miss Mary," Bernice F. Frisbie; "Old Woman, Old Woman," Edna

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Olney; song, "Bob White," Richard Burtt. "When I Was a Bachelor," Joseph Burtt and Caroline Duncan; "Nonpolitan Girl," Madeline Pinkham; "Scotch Boy and Girl," Elma Y. Gustafson and Randolph Cady; "Russians," Jessie M. Gibson and Edna Southam; "Indian Boy," Samuel Babigan; "Little Puritan Maid," Caroline Duncan; "John Alden and Priscilla," Arthur Thompson and Helen Farrington; "Father Time and Little New Year," James Sykes and Donald McAlister; "Miss Columbia," Gertrude F. Frisbie.

ASKS FOR A GUARDIAN

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 2.—Daisy Bell Wilcox, 17 years old, yesterday filed a petition in the municipal probate court asking for the appointment of a guardian because her father refused to allow an operation for the removal of her adenoids. The case will be heard by Judge Stone Friday afternoon.

Miss Wilcox claims in her petition that her parents have abandoned and forfeited their right of guardianship over her, and that her welfare requires the appointment of a guardian who will allow her to have the adenoids removed.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

\$100,000 TO HARVARD

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Gifts to Harvard totaling \$109,947.15 were announced yesterday at the meeting of the corporation. The largest of these, \$25,600, came from Mrs. Ezra R. Thayer, in memory of her husband, formerly dean of the law school.

The income is to be used to pay the salary of an instructor in the Harvard law school, to be known as the Ezra Ripley Thayer teaching fellow.

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(Special to The Sun)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—The hearing on Cong. Rogers' appeal from the adverse report of Col. Craigill on the Merrimack river project will be held in Washington on Feb. 8 or thereabouts, so that the New England delegates to the National Chamber of Commerce convention can attend without making a special trip.

CONNELLY MADE JUDGE

COUNCIL CONFIRMS HIS NOMINATION—TURNS DOWN OTHER NOMINATIONS BY GOV. WALSH
BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Although the executive council yesterday unanimously confirmed Thomas H. Connelly, private secretary to Gov. Walsh, as judge of the Brighton municipal court, it turned down two other nominations and postponed action on three more.

Those of Judge Edward B. O'Brien of Marblehead as a member of the Industrial accident board; Charles F. W. Archer of Lynn as deputy commissioner of state aid and pensions, and Russell A. Wood, reappointed to the commission on economy and efficiency, were laid over for a week.

The council, by a vote of 7 to 2, refused to confirm T. James Gallagher of Watertown as clerk of the Waltham district court, and by a vote of 5 to 1 refused to confirm the nomination of Dr. George A. Powers of Worcester as associate medical examiner of Worcester county. In the morning a lengthy hearing was held on the Gallagher nomination, the friends of Dudley Roberts, the present clerk of the Waltham court, appearing to urge his retention in office. Councilors Wright and Buckley voted for Mr. Gallagher's confirmation, while Mr. Roberts also voted for Dr. Powers. Rejection in the latter instance was moved by Councilor Denn of Worcester, who stated to the council it is reported that he had a list of 30 Worcester county physicians who opposed Dr. Powers.

One of the most important of the new nominations made yesterday by the governor was that of Mrs. Helen M. Norcross of Wellesley Hills as a member of the prison commission to succeed Hannah T. Carret of Cambridge, who has resigned.

Other new nominations included Edward D. Mullane of Boston, a member

of the board of holler rules to succeed Thomas R. Armstrong, who has resigned; Fred M. Truesdell of Pittsfield, a special officer of the M.S.P.C.A.; Fred W. Kingman of Watpole, William P. Nickerson of Norwood, and Ernest H. Gilbert of Stoughton, as trustees of the Norfolk county independent agricultural school, a body created by an act of this year's legislature.

The governor reappointed Dr. Lester H. Howard of Boston, commissioner of animal industry; Lawrence A. Lyons of Quincy, clerk of the district court of eastern Norfolk; Fred W. Cronin of Worcester, master in chancery for Worcester county, and Edwin P. Fitzgerald of Somerville, master in chancery.

All of yesterday's nominations were laid on the table. The council voted to grant a pardon under parole conditions to George L. Phelps of Williamstown, who was sentenced July 21, 1914, to three years in the Pittsfield house of correction for receiving goods stolen from the Arnold Print Works.

is another great testimonial to her splendid ability as an artist. Edwin Nannery as Daniel Taylor, a new addition to the Emerson players offers a splendid bit of acting and his strength in the character is only one of the many brilliant characters which he will portray. Joe Crehan, popular Joe, as Monty Vaughn is wonderfully good in his characterization and furnishes many laughs. Carson Davenport as Michael Harrington and Louise Harcourt as Mrs. Alice Harrington are indeed splendid. Richard Barry and Walter von Boeckman play the customs house officers splendidly. Gertrude Shirley as Army Cartwright and Eunice Elliott as Nora Mulledge do very well. Dorel Goodwin as Sarah Peabody is fine. Frank Wright, Forrest Gordon and other members of the company play their parts nicely. It is the best cast play that Lowell has ever seen.

"Under Cover" is superbly produced. The scenic effects are splendid and surpass everything that has ever been seen in this city. The settings are just as the original, with all the detail complete, not the slightest effort or expense being spared to make the pro-

duction a living one in the memory of the theatre patrons.

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FIRES ON BIG STEAMERS

BLAZES IN COAL JUNKIES SAID TO BE CAUSED BY CHEMICALS MIXED WITH COAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Acting upon suspicion that the first which have started in coal bunkers of several steamships leaving here with munitions of war for the entente allies were caused by chemicals mixed with the coal, federal and city detectives are working as coal trimmers in the bunkers of some of the steamships now loading here.

SHIP UNDER SUSPICION

WINNEBAGO ORDERED TO LEAVE BUENOS AIRES FOR STAMFORD, CONN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Richard F. Wagner, president of the American Trans-Atlantic Co., announced today that he had ordered the steamer Winnebago to leave Buenos Aires for Stamford, Conn., without further delay. The Winnebago is one of the vessels listed by the British government as under suspicion of German ownership. She is loaded with gun-bronze wood.

Three other steamships of the American Trans-Atlantic Co., placed under American registry last summer, the Hocking, Genesee and Kankakee, have been seized by British warships and the state department is now investigating a report that Great Britain is taking a drastic position toward them without taking them before a prize court.

GORIZIA AT ANY COST

Appalling Losses for Italians on the Isonzo are Reported, Says Berlin Despatch

BERLIN, Dec. 2.—"Appalling losses for the Italians on the Isonzo are reported from the front," the Overseas news agency says. "The Italians apparently have decided to take Gorizia without regard for their immense sacrifices."

"General opinion is that the fury of the battle has not reached its highest pitch. All positions are firmly held by the Austro-Hungarian forces, although some of them have nearly been destroyed. Each night the Austrians and Hungarians repair damages inflicted during the day, notwithstanding heavy artillery fire and infantry attacks."

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\$37.50 French, 9x12 ft. \$27.50	\$12.98
\$15 Lyons, 8¼x10½ ft. \$37.50	\$15.00 Art Squares—6½x9 ft.—Oriental designs.
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City Council at Movies

The municipal council was slated for a conference this forenoon, but the thing didn't materialize. At about the time set for the conference Commissioner Putnam invited the other members of the council to one of the local theatres where a collection of pictures owned by a local man are on exhibition. It having been suggested that the pictures ought to be placed in the public library.

But the council will hold the conference some time today because it is necessary for the members to agree upon some way of helping out the health and buildings department. The health department needs about \$400 for the care of tuberculous patients and Commissioner Putnam says he will require at least \$6000 with which to make the changes in school buildings. Continued on page three

TEUTON FORCES PUSH ON

Progress for Drive in Montenegro
—Monastir Holds Out—Russian Advance Checked

Teutonic operations in Montenegro apparently are being pursued with vigor. Today's report from Berlin records progress for the drive in Montenegro territory, in which Austrian and probably some German troops are engaged. Occupation of Plevlje, Jabuka and Boljane is announced.

In the operations to the southwest of Mitrovica, near the Montenegrin frontier, Teutonic troops have taken 2000 additional prisoners and captured two cannon.

Monastir Still Holds Out
Conditions are more favorable for the defenders of Monastir, according to a news agency despatch from Saloniki. It is reported that Serbian reinforcements are nearing the city and that if they arrive in time it is expected that Monastir will be able to hold out against the Bulgarians.

Reports on conditions along the western front from both Paris and Berlin continue to record nothing more important than artillery, mining and aeroplane operations.

Russian Advance Checked
In the eastern fighting zone German headquarters reports the repulse of a Russian advance apparently not strong in force, against Gen. von Rothemann's positions along the southern end of the line.

China Not to Join Allies
Formal denial that it had considered allying itself with the quadruple entente or that it had been asked to take such action is made by the Chinese government. China has never considered the possibility of abandoning neutrality, it is declared.

British Casualties
British casualties, military and naval, from the beginning of the war to Nov. 9 last, totaled 510,330. Preliminary figures announced today. The naval casualties were 12,160. Of the total 108,923 were killed, 640 of these being officers.

Bulgarian Reinforcements
Arrival of further reinforcements for the Bulgarians before the French front in southern Serbia is reported from Athens.

Italy Agrees With Allies
Definite announcement comes from Italy that the Italian government has given its adherence to the agreement of the entente powers that no separate peace should be signed. It is reported that Italy's action was not taken until Monday of this week, almost coincidentally with the rumors that Austria had agreed to a separate peace.

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NO PASSPORTS TO NATIONS AT WAR FOR FORD PARTY

Sec. Lansing Says That Members of
Peace Party Will Only Get Passports
to Neutral States in Europe—Mission
Not Sanctioned by U. S. Government

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Secretary Lansing announced today that members of the peace party planning to sail on the ship chartered by Henry Ford will not be given passports to belligerent countries but only to neutral states in Europe.

Secretary Lansing made it plain that passports were given to American citizens in those countries only when business made it absolutely necessary to visit there or when they were invited by some governmental agency in those countries. Mr. Lansing explained that no distinction was being drawn between members of the peace party and other American citizens, and the rule of the department of state was being applied.

The ruling, however, was generally interpreted as meaning that the United States does not regard unofficial missions to efforts to make peace by private persons as business of an urgent character.

Very few applications have been made for passports to visit belligerent countries, the plan of the peace party being to assemble a convention in one of the neutral countries and put into operation their plans, using a neutral capital as a base.

Officials of the passport bureau have not held up any passports for persons of American birth, but it was admitted today that there had been the usual difficulties with reference to naturalized persons and the compliance with state department technical regulation with reference to photographs.

Inez Milholland Boissevain, the suffragist, was refused a passport because her husband is a citizen of a foreign country. The names of others who may have experienced difficulty in getting passports were not disclosed.

Not Sanctioned by Government
Officials of the state department said today there seemed to be some impression in Europe that the United States government in some way was sanctioning the Ford plan, and they emphasized that there was not the slightest ground for such an intimation.

Each application for a passport will be subjected to the closest scrutiny, it being feared, as one official said, that "a wolf in sheep's clothing" might get aboard the ship and while playing the part of an advocate of peace, be in reality a spy. The department is determined that nothing of the kind shall happen.

Call Soldiers From Trenches
The state department does not contemplate that it could stop wireless messages being sent out from a neutral European country, calling the soldiers from the trenches, but the belief was expressed today that such messages would necessarily be received in belligerent countries by official government stations and would be promptly suppressed.

Legal authorities in the state department expressed the opinion today that if the peace party went to any belligerent country and attempted to stop the war they might be considered by the country involved as promoters of secession and treason. The state department has refused a request to send an agent to New York for the special purpose of

issuing passports to members of the party.

No Application From Ford

The number of applications for passports received so far is very small, and Ford himself has sent no application. Only two more days remain before the peace ship is scheduled to sail and it is considered doubtful that a great number of passports can be issued by Saturday unless the department receives a large number of applications today and before noon tomorrow.

Those who accompany the peace party, it was said, will have to make their applications for passports in a neutral country in the same manner as any other American citizen. The department recognizes no special privilege in the issuance of passports.

FORD MAKES A STATEMENT

Announces Definite Plans for Peace Expedition—No Intention of Calling Strike of Soldiers

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Henry Ford returned to New York from Detroit today and made his first announcement of definite plans for his peace expedition which will sail for Europe Saturday on the Scandinavian-American liner Oscar II.

Mr. Ford denied that he had any intention of instigating a strike among the soldiers in the trenches. He said that during the voyage members of his party would be selected as permanent peace delegates to remain in Europe. He expects other neutral nations to send delegations to meet the

American peace seekers at some place to be decided upon later, probably The Hague. A general conference will then be held to decide on further steps.

Mr. Ford proposed that the delegation from each neutral country appoint five members of the permanent body. This volunteer court of arbitration will map out various schemes for the establishment of peace in the hope of devising terms acceptable to all the belligerents.

Louis P. Lochner, secretary to the expedition, said the idea of "getting the boys out of the trenches by Christmas" had been given up.

In a signed statement issued later in the day Mr. Ford declared that "envoys to thirteen belligerent and neutral European governments have found overwhelming evidence of a universal peace desire. We have further evidence in hand that the belligerent governments would not be opposed to a conference of neutral nations."

Mr. Ford stated that the expedition expects first to stop at Christiania, Norway. From there it will proceed to Stockholm, Copenhagen and The Hague. He asserted he had definite letters of assurance that the mission will be welcomed with enthusiasm in Norway, Sweden, Holland, Denmark and other countries which may be included in the itinerary.

GOV. TRAMMELL DECLINES

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Dec. 2.—Gov. Trammell today declined to accompany Henry Ford to Europe on his peace mission because of official business.

CONTESTS THE DIVORCE

Mrs. Hastings Seeks Divorce on
Ground of Non-Support—Case
of Laporte et al. Given to Jury

Justice Hall, who is presiding over the jury waived session of the superior court was kept busy all forenoon hearing the evidence in the contested divorce case of Hastings vs. Hastings, both of the town of Duxbury.

The libellant, who is the wife, petitioned the court for her divorce on the grounds of non-support. She claimed she left her husband in June, 1912, because of poor conditions at her home. She said her husband had a home in the town of Duxbury, unfit to live in and she said she and her children suffered from hunger.

The libellee informed the court he was conducting a coastwise business in his town, which needed him about \$15 a week and he said his home was well fit to live in, while he denied depriving his family of the necessities of life.

In the course of the testimony, it was

brought out that in June, 1912, the couple separated at the request of the wife and that an agreement was signed between the parties interested to the effect that each would look after his or her own support.

It was also stated that shortly after the separation the wife went to Somerville and there was employed as clerk in a theatre. Later she returned to her husband and asked him to take her back, but he refused. Some time later the wife went to California to the home of her parents and last October she returned and filed a petition for divorce.

At noon the attorneys presented their arguments and the court reserved his decision.

Burnham vs. Burnham

Testimony in the contested divorce case of Matilda Burnham of Portland, Me., versus Edmund E. Burnham of

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DEMOCRATIC LEADERS

IN CAUCUS AT CAPITAL

Working for Party Harmony in Pushing Administration Measures—The
Obstacles—Senator Clark's Case—
"Uncle Joe" Coming Back—Speaker
Clark Unperturbed

(Special to The Sun)

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EVERETT HIGH GOES WEST

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—The Everett high school eleven which will play an inter-sectional game with the Central high school of Detroit on Saturday, left for the west today. About the same time the eleven of the East academy arrived here from Chicago to meet the Beverly high school in an inter-sectional match at Beverly on Saturday.

THE PANAMA CANAL

General Goethals Will Venture No Prediction as to When Big Waterway Will Be Reopened

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—General Goethals, governor of the Panama canal zone, will venture no prediction as to when the big waterway now closed by earth slides, will be reopened to navigation.

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Verdict in Case Against Hamburg-American Line Officials
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In his charge to the jury Judge Howe said: "You will consider that it was lawful for the defendants to carry coal and other articles to the German warships, although the coal and other articles were liable to capture and confiscation. That, however, does not concern us except as it may or may not bear upon the motive of the defendants in what they did or omitted to do in making out their manifest."

"You should dislodge from your minds all questions of neutrality or international law as these questions will not be made up by the jury. The government of the United States has said to the world: 'Your vessels may come and go and use our ports; but when you go you must have a clearance, and to get your clearance you must tell us the truth in a manifest as to where you intend to go and what you have on board. You must not intentionally deceive us as to what you have on board or where you are going.'"

RECALLS DAYS OF DEWEY

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Counsel for the four indicted officials of the Hamburg-American line went back, in his summing up today, to the days of Dewey at Manila for what he termed a "violation of the acts of the acts of his clients in sending coal and supplies from American ports to the German fleet in the South Atlantic in the early days of the European war."

"Dewey's ships," said Mr. Rand, the defendant's counsel, "needed coal and supplies during that blockade. How did they get them? Why, it is no secret. An American firm at the British port of Hong Kong—Jackson & Evans, I think it was—loaded the coal and supplies and provisions on British steamers and cleared these steamers for the Chinese port of Macao. And for Macao these ships sailed out of Hong Kong. Their manifests made no mention of supplies. The manifests said these steamers were loaded with scrap iron."

"What happened? This so-called scrap iron—these supplies of food and coal—were transferred to Dewey's ships at sea. The carrier vessels then went on to Macao, really loaded with scrap iron, but it was scrap iron loaded from the ruins of Cavite, battered down by Dewey's guns."

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"Has anybody ever been sent to jail for this? The first man has yet to say that in sailing out of Hong Kong with supplies for American warships, these steamers, their owners, agents or ship-pers committed an offense against her majesty, the queen of England."

"What is the difference between that and this? What was a crime in August, 1914, must have been a crime in August, 1915. The laws have not changed. No it was not a crime then; it is not a crime now; it is simply a question of whose ox is gored."

Roger B. Wood, conducting the prosecution, objected to this argument, but it was overruled by Judge Howe.

Reviewing alleged participation of Capt. K. Boy-Ed, the German naval attaché, Mr. Rand said: "It is only fair to him to say that he has done nothing whatever that is not sanctioned by the laws of nations and by the laws of the United States."

Mr. Wood reviewed in detail the evidence of the case, especially the assertions on the witness stand of Dr. Karl Buentz, Adolph Hachmeister and George Kotter, three of the defendants with many years' service in the Hamburg-American line, that they did not even know what a clearance paper or a manifest was.

"Does anyone believe that?" he asked. "I have been challenged to say what I think of Dr. Buentz and I am here to say I think he lied."

"They knew, all three of them, that their manifests were 'clean papers. They knew that American clearances were passports unchallenged then on the seas and they sought by foul and dishonest means to obtain those papers that would have been withheld had the true destination of the supplies aboard been declared."

"They have told of an agreement with the German government made in the fall of 1913, whereby these defendants were to send out supply ships to the German fleet. We called in vain for them to produce this agreement. Why didn't they? Where is it? They took it, these defendants, to the German embassy at Washington where the United States government cannot get it."

"Why?" I venture to say that in that document are the details of this whole scheme, that the plans are laid for obtaining these false clearances, that the contents of that document would incriminate the defendants."

Mr. Wood concluded his address shortly before 2 o'clock. Judge Howe declared a short recess, after which he began his charge to the jury.

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Premier Asquith Says Casualties
From Beginning of War to Nov.
9 Total 510,230

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The total of British military and naval losses from the beginning of the war to November 9, was 510,230. This figure was given in a written reply by Premier Asquith to a question addressed to the government in the house of commons.

DENIAL BY CHINA

Government Has Never
Considered Joining
Any Belligerent

PEKING, Dec. 2.—The Chinese government made formal denial tonight that it had considered the possibility of joining with the entente powers, or had been requested to do so. The statement, issued by the foreign office, follows:

"The Chinese government has never considered the possibility of abandoning neutrality and joining any belligerent or group of belligerents."

RETREAT FOR WOMEN

REV. FR. STANTON SPOKE ON SINS
OF THE TONGUE AT SACRED
HEART CHURCH LAST NIGHT

Rev. William Stanton, O.M.I., who with Rev. Dennis Sullivan, O.M.I., is conducting the mission for women at the Sacred Heart church, spoke on "Sins of the Tongue" at last evening's services. The congregation, one of the largest that ever assembled in the church, listened attentively to his eloquent discourse.

THE HIGHLAND CLUB

THE MEMBERS WILL BE GUESTS
OF PENTUCKET CLUB OF HAV-
HILL TONIGHT

The members of the Highland club of this city will journey to Havhill this evening, where they will be the guests of the members of the Pentucket club, a prominent organization of the Shore City.

The trip to Havhill will be made by special train which will leave the railroad station at 6:45 o'clock, and upon reaching the Pentucket club the Lowells will be highly entertained. Luncheon will be served and games will be played, and it is expected that the members of the visiting organization will give their hosts a lively contest, especially in pool and billiards. It is expected that about 100 Lowells will take in the trip. The return trip will be made at 11:30 o'clock.

PURE BLOOD MAKES HEALTHY PEOPLE

Hood's Sarsaparilla removes scrofula, sores, boils and other eruptions, because it drives out of the blood the humors that cause them. Eruptions cannot be successfully treated with external applications, because these cannot purify the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes rich, red blood, perfects the digestion, and builds up the whole system. Insist on having Hood's. Get it now.

INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

Dollar day in the stores yesterday was a big success.

A routine session of the Ring Spinners' association was held last night.

Business in the big department stores has increased considerably during the past few months, and a record breaking business during the Christmas shopping period is looked for by the merchants.

Buy your Christmas presents early and you will spare the store clerks a good deal of hard work and extra worry. The Christmas shopping period is the worst of the year for the store clerks.

A routine session of Carpenters' union, local 1510, was held last night in the tunnels building. A large amount of routine business was transacted and two applications for membership were received. Business Agent Michael A. Lee submitted an encouraging report.

It is reported that the American Woolen Co. has just received another large army blanket order from Europe. The company also has a large amount of domestic business on its hands. All the mills are running to full capacity.

The various mill unions in this city are affiliated with the United Textile Workers of America and according to prominent labor leaders there is no danger of any of them seceding to join the Independent organization to be formed of New England textile workers.

The new addition to the plant of the Bay State Cotton mill in Marginal street is going up rapidly. It is expected that it will be ready for occupancy by the first of the year. About 250 additional hands will be employed. The company is doing a very prosperous business.

Moulders' Session

A special meeting of the Moulders' union was held last night in Trades and Labor hall and the session proved very interesting. A number of matters of importance came up for discussion and a large amount of important business was transacted. John R. O'Leary, second vice-president of the international organization and New England Organizer Eugene L. Murphy were visitors in this city yesterday.

Steam Engineers' Wage Schedule

Steam Engineers' union, local 225, met last evening in the union quarters in Central street and transacted a great deal of important business. One new member was initiated and one application for membership was received. The matter of asking for a new wage schedule was taken up and discussed and another important matter which came up for discussion was the advisability of contributing toward the expense of a state organizer. This latter matter will be threshed out further at the state branch convention on Dec. 12 in Boston. The following Lowell delegates were elected to attend the convention: President John H. Smith, former chief of the Lowell fire department; William Kennedy and State Secretary Albert W. Hennessey. The alternates chosen are Francis Caragher, Robert Gunston and Benjamin Jordan.

Tonight's Sessions

Tonight at 32 Middle street, the first December meeting of the Trades and Labor council is scheduled to be held. Business of much importance will come up for transaction and the election of a local organizer may take place. President Frank Warnock will preside.

Mechanics' union, local 313, will meet in Cotton Spinners' hall, Middle street, and the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen will hold their regular monthly meeting in Odd Fellows hall, Middle street.

Painters' union will meet in Carpenters' hall, Rutland building, with Pres. George F. Hild in the chair.

The Mill Treasurer

There are a great many who are interested in the textile business who do not realize that profits are secured not by a large profit upon some particular style, but by a satisfactory margin of profit upon the whole production. Efficiency and economy have been discussed quite thoroughly, and while it is admitted that such features have a great influence upon mill profits, nevertheless, there are many instances where the mill treasurer or selling agent will make more real profit by his selling ability or through taking advantage of favorable conditions that can be secured through any mill economy, particularly if the various processes be reasonably efficient.

It is concluded that any organization ought not to be a one-man organization, and this is a very good plan for certain industries, although there is no question under present methods

but that one good man who is able to drive a good bargain will make more profit for a textile concern than any other single item. A statement like the foregoing is likely to be criticized, but when the subject is carefully analyzed, and comparisons made between the various treasurers, mill organizations and profits, there will be some very radical disclosures made. If there is anything which justifies a one-man organization, then the method of selling cotton goods today justifies this idea. We are acquainted with concerns equipped with up-to-date machinery, where labor costs are relatively low, and where no surplus operatives are employed, and where every operative is busy up to the greatest extent possible commensurate with textile conditions; still some of these concerns have not secured a reasonable profit on the investment, while others, which are very apparently operated less economically, continually secure a better return. Of course, allowance must in all cases be made for capitalization and other details, but by no stretch of the imagination can some of the concerns be placed on an equal basis as far as profit is concerned. This is for concerns which produce fabrics of practically an identical character.

Naturally, every grey goods mill organization is slightly different, but their products are near enough to warrant comparison. What is the reason for the difference in profit? We can state emphatically that it is explained by the difference in the ability of the different selling agents. Inasmuch as the product is handled by a single man, it brings the matter down to a single man's ability. The mill treasurers themselves are not able to get at the facts in the situation, and neither are others who are directly interested in the organizations. A disinterested party, however, who is brought in contact continually with treasurers, cloth brokers and buyers learns a great many facts which those directly interested can seldom secure, or if they do secure them, they are not inclined to consider them of importance. The present criticism is not for all mill treasurers, because there are some who continually secure reasonably high prices for their merchandise, but there are many who continually or at least in a large majority of cases do not secure high prices.

It requires perception and some familiarity with the general trend of affairs for a treasurer to secure good prices for his merchandise. There are many instances where the treasurer can be criticized. We know of cases where treasurers have been square with cloth brokers, and the attitude which they have adopted has affected their profits. When a treasurer is more or less generally criticized by buyers and by cloth brokers, it can be safely assumed that he is not securing the best results.

OPENING OF REICHSTAG

DEMONSTRATIONS IN FAVOR OF
SPEEDY SETTLEMENT OF THE
FOOD PROBLEM

BERLIN, Dec. 2 (By wireless to Sayville).—"Yesterday as usual," says the Overseas News Agency, "at the opening of the reichstag large crowds gathered around the building and the neighboring streets. Among the throng were some who made demonstrations in favor of a speedy settlement of the problem of government regulation of prices and the distribution of food."

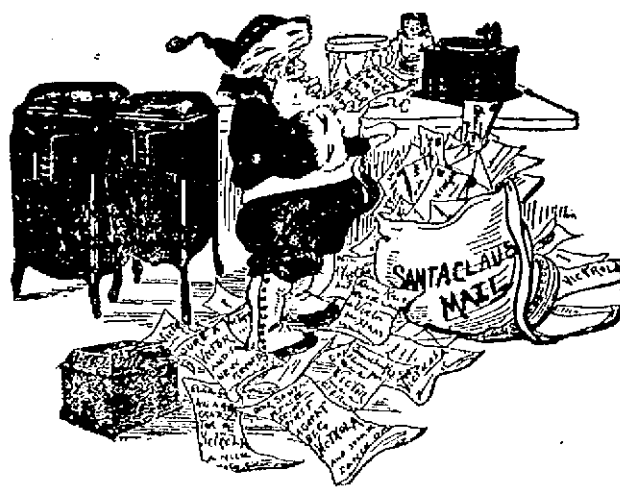
A CLOGGED SYSTEM NEEDS ATTENTION

Are you bilious, dizzy and listless? Are you "King" No. 1? Life is taken at once upon constipation, and start the bowels moving naturally and easily. Moreover, it acts without effort. Neglect of a clogged system often leads to most serious complications. If you wish to wake up tomorrow morning happy in mind and entirely satisfied, start your treatment tonight. 25c a bottle.

A CLOSED CAR
Packer's
or Weddings
CITY HALL GARAGE

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Santa Claus says "Everybody seems to want a Victrola"



That's easily explained—it is just the thing for Christmas.

Its delightful music not only helps to make a "Merry Christmas," but keeps right on giving pleasure throughout the year—for many years to come.

Stop in today and we'll gladly demonstrate this wonderful instrument—\$15, \$25, \$40, \$50, \$75, \$100, \$150, \$200, \$250, \$300, \$350.

The complete line is here now—the best time to make your selection. We'll arrange delivery and terms to suit you.



**The Bon Marche
Dry Goods Co.**

FUNERAL NOTICE

MULINO—Died in this city Dec. 1, at 194 Lawrence street, Robert H. Mulino, aged 68 years, 13 days. Funeral services will be held at the St. Patrick's church at 2 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 2 o'clock. Friends invited without further notice. Funeral arrangements charge of Undertaker Geo. W. Healey.

INGALLS—Died in this city, Nov. 30, at the Old Ladies' Home, No. 520 Fletcher street, Mrs. Julia M. Ingalls, aged 83 years, 5 months. Funeral services will be held from the Old Ladies' Home, No. 520 Fletcher street on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Simmons & Brown.

WASHINGTON—The funeral of Julia M. Washington will take place Saturday morning from the rooms of Undertaker Savage at 8:30 o'clock. A high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Interment in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

FUNERALS

FORBES—The funeral of Sarah A. Forbes was held yesterday afternoon from the home of Mrs. Laura Coggins at 10 o'clock. The funeral was simple and impressive services were conducted by Rev. Francis W. Brett, pastor of the Worthen Street M. E. church. "Passing Away" (Abide With Me) were sung by Mr. Frederick Bond. The accompanist was Mrs. Bond. There was a large number of friends present, including friends of the family which the deceased was held, many coming from Haverhill, Lynn, North Andover, Lawrence, Boston and Concord. The hearse was driven by Parker Gates, D. Daley, James Ryan and Andrew Caisse of Lynn. Burial was in the Mason cemetery. Undertaker William H. Saunders was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

OLOUGHLIN—The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary O'Laughlin took place this morning at 8 o'clock from her late home, 22 Crosby street and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The funeral proceeded to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan. Among the hearse were Mrs. Mary O'Laughlin and family, Mrs. T. F. O'Laughlin and family, Mrs. and Mrs. John B. O'Laughlin, Mrs. Mary O'Laughlin and family, Mrs. Darcy O'Laughlin and family, the O'Laughlin family, Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Laughlin, Sr. and family, Patrick O'Laughlin, Jr. and family, Mrs. Michael O'Laughlin, Jr. and family, the Winn family, Miss Mary Winn, Miss Jennie Scully, Mrs. Winifred McNamara and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. Easter, Mr. and Mrs. Collins. The hearse were Thomas L. Thomas, Edward L. and John B. O'Laughlin, Thomas H. and Thomas McNamara, all grandsons of the deceased. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the funeral prayers were read by Rev. Heffernan. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

GORMAN—The funeral of John Gorman took place this morning at 8 o'clock from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gorman, 58 Perry street and was well attended. The funeral proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. James J. McLaughlin. The funeral prayers were read by Rev. Heffernan. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned take this means of conveying their heartfelt thanks to the many friends who by their expressions of sympathy and kindly aid helped to lighten our burden of grief at the death of our beloved son, Arthur, who died Nov. 24, 1915. We are grateful to all who attended the funeral and to all who helped in any way to ease our grief. We are, Mrs. Anne Whelan and family.

SUN BREVITIES

Best printing: Toulia's Assn. Bldg. J. P. Donohoe, Doves in Bldg., real estate and insurance. Telephone 700.

If your teeth trouble you, see Dr. Gannon, 155 Merrimack street.

John F. Ford, claiming to come from Lowell, was sent to jail for ten days from the Lawrence court. He said he was on his way to work in the Curran shoe shop in Lowell but the court was inclined to discredit his story.

Howard W. Wing, son of Charles H. Wing of 795 Stevens street, left last evening for New York city where he will take a boat for Guatemala, Central America, to accept a position in the general office of the United Fruit Co.

The Lucy Larcom club met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Paul Smith in West Tewksbury. Refreshments were served. It was announced that the next meeting would be held with Mrs. John McCord on Dec. 15.

The pupils of Edward Everett Adams gave a piano and song recital in his studio last evening. The program was varied and pleasing and the numbers were well interpreted. Those who took part were: Miss Olga H. Emberg, Miss Julia E. Emberg, Harold G. Cheney, Miss Evelyn L. Eldridge, Miss M. Marion Adams. The program as usual with the recitals of Mr. Adams' pupils was of a high order.

A meeting of the members of the Deane committee of St. Patrick's church was held last night in the school hall in Suffolk street and further arrangements were made for the annual banquet which will be held during the last week of this month. The various committees reported favorably and numerous suggestions were offered. The next meeting will be held at the hall next Sunday at 10:15 a. m. and all are requested to be present.

FOR LUSITANIA AFFIDAVIT

RITTER PAID FOR SWEARING THAT LINER CARRIED GUN COTTON WHEN SUNK

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 2.—Charles de Woody, a special investigator employed by the federal government, announced today that he was sending to the department of justice at Washington details of a statement which he had given to him last night by Dr. E. W. Ritter, who is under arrest here, in which Ritter is alleged to have told of receiving money from Ernst Ludwig, Austrian consul at Cleveland, for affidavits charging that the liner Lusitania carried gun cotton when sunk.

Charles S. Reed, attorney for Ludwig, also gave out a statement in which he said that Ludwig paid \$100 to Ritter for the Lusitania affidavit. Reed said the money was paid in his office.

"I did not know what to think of the story," Mr. Reed said, "but Mr. Ludwig believed it and reported it to Baron Zwielfenik, the Austrian charge at Washington and the baron came to Cleveland and met Ritter in my office in the presence of Mr. Ludwig and myself. This was last June."

Ritter, in his statement to de Woody, the New York and Washington where he talked with consular representatives of several European nations.

The Austro-Hungarian consulate here issued a statement in the Ritter case at noon today, admitting that Ritter had been supplied with funds during investigation of his inventions and that he prepared the affidavit charging gun cotton was on board the Lusitania but denying that the affidavit was bought.

FINES IN MILK CASES

TWO DEALERS TAXED \$50 EACH—YOUNG MAN HELD FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING

Pleading guilty to a complaint charging him with having in his possession watered milk, John W. Cole paid a fine of \$50 to Clerk Savage of the local police court. A milk dealer, C. A. Frost, pleaded not guilty to a similar complaint in court today claiming that if his milk was watered he had no knowledge of it. He was found technically guilty, however, and also contributed \$50.

Attempted Break

John Volterno, the young man arrested last week attempting to gain an entrance to a Market street store, was jailed on continuance today charged with attempting to break and enter the store of Louis V. Vailon and Arthur Scrobbles, his counsel, William A. Hogan, waived the hearing and his Honor found probable cause and held Volterno in \$500 bonds for the grand jury.

Sentenced to State Farm

Frank P. Donahue, who yesterday offered the unique excuse that he did not appear in court Tuesday because he was under the impression that his case was listed for November 31, was tried today on a charge of drunkenness. Patrolman Alfred Conney testified that he arrested Donahue at a political rally at Tower's corner the night before the primaries. There were about 100 people at the corner, said the officer, and the defendant continually interrupted the meeting with unnecessary remarks. When he refused to leave or keep silence, he was arrested. This was corroborated by Patrolman P. B. Clark and Captain Atkinson. Deputy Downey read Donahue's record, a sentence to the state farm was imposed. He appealed.

There were two other intoxication offenders in court, James H. Watson appealed from a sentence to the state farm and another man's case was continued a week.

DEATHS

CARON—Marie Alphonsine Caron, aged 4 years, 4 months and 25 days, died last night at the Lowell hospital. The body was today removed to the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Xavier Caron, 23 Lafayette street, Ipswich.

GANTZ—Aniela Gantz, aged 31 years, died today at the Chelmsford street hospital. The body was removed to 34 West Third street.

IT PAYS

To buy fresh flowers: they do not cost any more. We grow our own flowers. Give us a trial and be convinced.

JAS. J. McMANNON
6 PRESCOTT STREET
Nurseries, Lawrence car line, Dracut.

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The more you know about eyeglasses, the more you will appreciate our service. The more you will be convinced of the thoroughness of our methods. Whether your glasses cost \$2.00, \$3.00 or \$5.00, you are given the advantage of our experience and knowledge. Your eyes will be examined by an experienced optometrist and the lenses ground and fitted by an expert optician, and satisfaction will be guaranteed in all three divisions.

Having met with such a success in this sale, we have decided to continue the sale today and tomorrow.

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SPECIAL

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10c CAN

Native Tongues	15c lb.	Fancy Fresh Eggs (guaranteed)	45c doz.
Milk-Fed Chickens	23c lb.	Fancy Heavy Grapefruit	6 for 25c
Small Young Fowls	20c lb.	Choice Florida Oranges	12 1/2c doz.
Fresh Lamb Steaks	50c lb.	Baldwin Apples	15c pk.
Legs of Lamb	15c lb.	Hothouse Cucumbers	2 for 5c
Lamb Chops	15c and 20c lb.	Onions	10 lbs. 10c
Small Pork Roast	14c lb.	Fresh Dandelions	65c pk.
Fresh Shoulders	11c lb.	Fresh Beet Greens	45c pk.
Sirloin Roast	18c and 22c lb.	Fresh Mushrooms	50c lb.
35c Top Round Steak	29c lb.		
Fancy Salt Spare Ribs	10c lb.		
WHITE HOUSE COFFEE (Friday Night)	30c Can		
20c Fresh Roasted Coffee	15c lb.		
Green Sage Plums	8c Can		
12c Pickled Beets (in jars)	9c jar		
40c New Bar-le-duc	27c jar		
20c Capers, 1915	15c bottle		
10c Pure Vanilla	8c bottle		
		Large Mackrel	15c each
		Swordfish	2 lbs. 25c
		Fresh Herring	5c lb.
		Finnan Haddie	10c lb.
		White Fish	8c lb.
		Select Oysters	35c qt.
		Halibut	2 lbs. 25c
		Fancy Codfish	5c lb.
		Fancy Smelts	20c lb.

TO BUY MACHINERY

FRENCH DELEGATION WILL ARRIVE IN BOSTON TOMORROW TO LOOK OVER N. E. PRODUCTS

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Representatives of the leading industries of France and members of the French industrial commission will reach Boston tomorrow morning in the course of a tour of America for the purpose of buying machinery of various kinds to be used in the industrial rehabilitation of France after the war.

The Boston chamber of commerce will entertain the commission while it is in this section and has offered to the chairman its services in reaching New England manufacturers. A luncheon has been arranged at the Parker house on Friday to enable the commissioners to meet a number of representative business men.

The visit of the commission, it is expected, will lead to a considerable amount of new business. Much interest has been manifested by the commission in textile machinery, and it is said that all such machinery introduced in France after the war will be of American make.

Maurice Damour, a leading financier of France, is chairman of the commission, and will head the delegation. Accompanying him will be Emile Deleatier, secretary of the French Syndicate of Spinners; M. L. Fréano, director of the National School of Clockmaking at Besancon; Jacques Lemaire, delegate of the French department of agriculture; L. Vibien, a director of the National Bank of Credit; G. Chouffour, of the Credit Français; Joseph Guinet, delegate of the chamber of commerce of Lyons; M. Saladin and Jacques de Neulize, a banker.

GREEK STEAMER SUNK

THE ZARFIS, 2001 TONS GROSS, SENT TO BOTTOM—CREW RESCUED

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The Greek steamship Zarfis has been sunk. Her crew was landed at Malta. The ship was built in 1901.

SPY EXECUTED IN LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 2.—A spy whose name was not made public, was executed by shooting today, according to an official announcement given out by the British official press bureau.

CHARGE OF VOTE BUYING

NEW BEDFORD, FULL OF BURNS DETECTIVES, BUBBLING OVER WITH POLITICAL EXCITEMENT

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 2.—With election day only a week off, and nightly rallies stirring the city, with New Bedford full of Burns detectives, and William J. Burns, the famous detective, himself on the job to remain until election, this city is bubbling with political excitement as it has not done for many years.

The charges that vote buying is going on, or was in the early stages of the campaign, may be proved true in the courts if Mr. Burns carries out his promise to furnish evidence after election day. District Attorney Joseph T. Kenney yesterday issued the following statement:

"You may state as coming from me

Eat Everything

A man who for years had been compelled to decline this and that kind of food because he was UNABLE TO CHEW, now has a full set of teeth which give him no trouble whatever, and enable him to eat EVERYTHING.

Much of the pleasure of life is in eating, and in eating VARIOUS KINDS of food.

Why not INSURE your pleasure by having us attend to your teeth?

NAP-A-MINT means no pain.

DR. GAGNON

466 Merrimack St., Opposite Tilden St., and 109 Merrimack St., Next to Five Cent Savings Bank

LATE WAR NEWS

Continued

are in a transitory stage, which may preface another German offensive, but whether this will be made against the Franco-British troops which hold all that remains of Serbia or against the Russians should they launch an attack against Bulgaria from the east, the present situation gives no indication. A Saloniki despatch, reporting the withdrawal of Field Marshal von Mackensen's forces from the Serbian front to Bulgaria, is interpreted in some quarters as confirmation of the second alternative.

With Prusians in Bulgarian hands, both the Austro-Germans and the Bulgarians have formally announced the completion of their Serbian campaign. Vienna officially estimates the capture of more than 60,000 Serbians by Gen. von Koevess' army during the month of November alone. Moreover, it seems certain that the Serbians in their retreat over Albanian mountain passes, encumbered by civilian refugees and made more difficult by wintry weather, were forced to leave behind them a large part of their equipment including most of their heavy artillery, motor cars and other transports.

The Germans are now engaging the Montenegrins on the Montenegrin frontier, and at heavy cost have penetrated some distance beyond the border. Yet this struggle is not comparable to the serious and sanguinary fighting which marked the Serbian campaign last month and which has now almost ceased.

Notwithstanding all the entente negotiations at Athens, the Greek situation today remains much as it was a month ago. It is now clear that Greece has determined not to demobilize or withdraw her army from Saloniki. Though a deadlock seems to have been reached, negotiations are still under way.

No change of significance was reported on either the western or the eastern front during the last 24 hours.

FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S WAR NEWS IN BRIEF

FORM

German effort to force Austria into a common union, Austrian peace advances and dispute with Bulgars over Serbia the various surmises on Vienna's crisis.

Austrians and Germans press the invasion of Montenegro. Fifteen thousand Serbians were captured at Prusians by Bulgarians, says German headquarters.

French and British cannon batter down German defenses in Belgium; severe artillery duel about Roy.

Italian artillery begins attack on new Austrian positions.

Montevideo charges British cruisers are interfering with passenger service to Buenos Aires.

Lord Lansdowne says England should arbitrate all prize court disputes by the United States.

TRIAL OF NEW HAVEN MEN

Continued

The purchase of the New London Northern by the New Haven had failed.

The testimony was preliminary to proof which the government hopes to elicit that the Grand Trunk finally abandoned its extension, thus eliminating the threatened competition with the New Haven.

Mellen Examined Charles S. Mellen, the government's witness, was asked by the interview he had in 1910 with C. M. Hays, then president of the Grand Trunk, which he testified yesterday was just prior to the taking of steps by the Grand Trunk to build its proposed extension of Palmer, Mass., to Providence.

At this meeting the witness testified today, Hays expressed a willingness to sell the New London Northern to the New Haven provided the New Haven would get a connection for the Grand Trunk into New York city over the New York, Ontario & Western.

Lewis Cass Ledyard, one of the defendants who was present at the interview, informed Hays, said the witness, that this could be done by an arrangement with the New York Central whereby the Ontario road could obtain trackage rights from Oswego, N. Y., to Suspension Bridge, Niagara Falls.

"The New York Central," said the witness, "had expressed a willingness to make this arrangement. But shortly after that Hays came out with a manifesto that he was going to build his line to Providence and we never saw him again."

"Did you ever try to prevent the entrance of this line into Providence?" Mr. Mellen admitted that he had made such an effort, but explained that the reason for it was that the Grand Trunk purposed to make use of some of the New Haven's facilities in Providence, and also purposed to eliminate grade crossings in that city.

"I did not oppose the entrance of the Grand Trunk into Providence," Mr. Mellen said, "or any legislation connected with it, after the Grand Trunk's charter had been amended so that the Grand Trunk would not encroach upon our property or that we would have to contribute to the expense of the elimination of the Grand Trunk's grade crossings."

The government then read to the jury correspondence of officials of the New Haven from which it appeared that soon after the New Haven sought to get options on a right of way for a line between Southbridge, Mass., and Palmer, the same route as the projected Grand Trunk extension. In June, 1910, the board of directors referred to Mellen with power, the question of building the line, and Mellen ordered his subordinates to take the necessary steps.

The witness said that both roads sought "certificates of exigency" from the authorities but that it was granted to the Grand Trunk.

"What was the next step you took?"



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Suits at..... \$12.90
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25 Dozen Soiled and Odd Waists, sold to \$5.00,~

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Selling to \$18.75. Choice,

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asked Attorney Batts.

"We stepped out," said Mr. Mellen. "No other steps?"

"Oh, I think I bought a couple of farms up that way."

He was shown a map where the farms were located. One of them appeared to be in the neighborhood of the Grand Trunk route.

"How large was this farm?"

"It was wider than a railroad track," he replied with a smile. "It was a particularly valuable location for a railroad. It was located in a notch."

CITY HALL NEWS

Continued

ings as recommended by the state police.

The school department gave out some time ago that it would probably require more money if the evening schools were to be continued for the remainder of the year, but it seems the department will get along without more money. That, at least, is the way that Commissioner Duncan sizes the matter up.

William W. ought to know something about it, because he was the man with whom the chairman of the school committee talked when the committee thought more money would be necessary. Mr. Duncan told the chairman to submit a statement setting forth the school department's finances and showing why it would be necessary to have more money. The statement has not been forthcoming and Mr. Duncan allows that the school board was borrowing trouble, and that it has seen a way out of its difficulties.

The council will meet tomorrow forenoon and whatever action is decided upon at the conference today relative to the raising of money to piece out the health and buildings departments will be confirmed at tomorrow's meeting.

Building Still Brisk

Building operations in this city did not slacken during the month of November, as the records at Commissioner Putnam's office show that the total estimated cost of new construction was \$64,615, nearly \$22,000 in excess of the corresponding month for last year. The total number of permits for November was 53 as against 42 in November, 1914.

The total estimated cost of new buildings for the eleven months of 1915 is way ahead of the total estimated cost for the whole of 1914, the total estimated cost for the eleven months being \$1,125,435, as compared with \$773,514 for the twelve months of 1914. The total number of buildings permits issued last year was 633 and 766 have already been issued this year.

The following permits were granted since the last were published: Ronie Wood and Adolph Stockford, two apartment house numbered 1122 and 1124 Middlesex street. The building will be 23 by 15 feet, 2 1/2 stories and each of the apartments will have six rooms, pantry and bath. The estimated cost is \$2500.

Thomas W. Johnson & Co. will build a dwelling to be numbered 49 Daniel street at an estimated cost of \$2936. Frank Robins has been granted a permit for the erection of a dwelling in the same street at an estimated cost of \$2200.

Dr. Mignault on Deck

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Sliced Haddock, lb. 8c
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Mackerel, each, 15c
Clams, opened, 15c
Pink Salmon, can, 8c
Striped Bass, lb. 20c
Butter Fish, lb. 8c
Salmon Steak, lb. 15c
Finnan Haddie, lb. 10c
Tinker Mackerel, 3 for 10c
Scallops, pt. 25c
Oysters, in the shell, doz. 15c
Sea Trout, lb. 15c
Sliced White Fish, lb. 10c
Sliced Blue Fish, lb. 8c
Flounders, lb. 7c
Halibut Napes, lb. 5c
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Fancy Fresh Eastern Halibut, lb. 15c	Beef for Mince Meat, lb. 10c	Creamery Butter, lb. 27c
Steak Salmon, lb. 15c	Fresh Roast Pork, lb. 17c	Cooking Eggs, doz. 25c, 30c
White Fish, lb. 10c	Pork Chops, lb. 17c	Carton Eggs, doz. 32c
Clams, qt. 25c	Fancy Rump, short cuts, lb. 30c	We Are Selling All Vegetables at One Cent a Pound
Oysters, qt. 35c	Salt Pork, lb. 10 1/2c	Table Apples, pk. 20c
Fresh Herring, lb. 5c	Spare Ribs, lb. 9 1/2c	9 Bars Jewel Soap, 25c
Legs of Milk Fed Veal, lb. 16c	Soup Bones, 6c	Ketchup, 3 bottles, 25c
Sugar Cured Sliced Ham, lb. 15c	Sugar Cured Sliced Ham, lb. 15c	Extra Large Nice Onions, lb. 2c
Fresh and Corned Tongue, lb. 15c	Four 10c pkgs. Mince Meat 25c	
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HIGH SCHOOL HALL

The proposition of Commissioner Duncan for the use of the new high school hall as a public hall is so absurd that it carries its own condemnation, and yet the municipal council has shown zeal for proposals almost as silly. It is therefore most important that the public think the matter over in order to prevent the adoption of a policy that would prove absolutely ridiculous. It may seem like good politics to a few officials to give the people a makeshift for a public hall, but it would prove very bad business to spoil our high school while leaving the need for a public hall unrelieved.

Even though the hall in the new school annex were large enough to warrant public meetings, it would still be essentially a school hall, needed for drills, school dramas and occasional social affairs. If seats are to be used, they must be removable and of such a nature that the floor space could be cleared at short notice. On the other hand, such seats would prove entirely unsatisfactory in a public hall, and so there would be constant friction between the two functions of such a hall.

Again, a public hall should be available for public uses all of the time or it would not be a public hall in reality. A high school hall would be the scene of many evening functions on which the general public could not intrude. It would be very difficult to arrange a program that would not clash in some particulars, and with regard to a public hall there can be no fixed program. To carry the functions of a public hall into a school building would therefore prove impractical and unwise.

If the high school hall proposition looks foolish from the point of view of those who agitate a new public hall, it looks still more foolish to those familiar with school requirements. Anybody who realizes the purpose of school buildings would not favor the carrying of public agitations into a high school. It would be obviously impossible to have a large civic exposition such as was held recently at the Casino, or any other display that would call for a constant attendance covering a period of several days. It would be impossible also to have an anti-tuberculosis exhibit, a pure food exhibit, a city planning exhibit, or any of the things that other cities hold in public halls as a means of educating public opinion and creating a strong sentiment for civic reform. It would be also impossible to have musical affairs on occasions or anything that would interfere with the actual school work, for evening classes it is to be presumed will still be held. It would of course be entirely out of the question to hold a political rally in the high school, and yet such rallies could appropriately be held by all parties if the city had a large and adequate public hall. The high school hall will probably be on the upper floor, but a public hall should not be above the second story.

The new high school hall should be suitable for musical recitals, school dramatics, educational meetings and lectures. In this way it might be made a source of income by being opened to such events as are now held at Colonial hall or the Playhouse. It should meet all the requirements of the school department for graduation and all similar exercises.

At best, the high school hall could serve as a public hall in a very limited sense. Lowell needs a large and individual hall in which many large projects may be housed and to which the Lowell public may be invited without restriction. If we cannot have such a hall for many years to come, let us make up our minds to do without it rather than spoil our high school and yet fall to give the public what is needed either in a high school or a public hall.

A STRONG APPEAL

At the meeting held in Lawrence on Tuesday, representatives of the civic organizations of Lowell, Lawrence, Haverhill and Newburyport decided to appeal promptly and strongly against the adverse decision of Col. Craighill on the plans for the navigation of the Merrimack river, and to ask for another hearing before the board of army engineers early in February. An effort will also be made to have Nashua and Manchester represented as there is a growing feeling in these cities in favor of deepening the river from Manchester downward. The interstate support would make the Merrimack valley position stronger, and it is possible that some favorable compromise may be arrived at or at least that the prohibitive ban be lifted, for until the federal experts signify their approval, it is useless to agitate river navigation.

It is to be hoped that the request for another hearing will be granted, and that the supporters of the navigation plans will appear in large numbers and armed with strong arguments at the next hearing. That they made a strong appeal on their first appearance was evident, but apparently their testimony and business data did not carry much weight. The question of cost undoubtedly was a deterrent factor, especially in view of the heavy

government expenditures that are coming for preparedness, but this does not quite explain the obtuseness of government officials.

At the next meeting at Washington, the Merrimack valley delegation should strive to discover the source of opposition to the Merrimack river development in order that adverse arguments may be met. That it will prove costly is unquestionable, but the friends of the measure believe that the cost will be repaid in a surprising short space of time by savings on freight, and the business improvement along the river bank. Railroads and water interests may not regard the agitation favorably, but the opposition should in all fairness come out as openly as the friends of Merrimack river development have done in the hearing at Washington and the more recent meeting at Lawrence. Success must eventually come if the agitation is kept up with sincerity and spirit.

THE COLOSSAL COST

It is a terrible commentary on this war that the papers have given up computing the cost in life and content themselves with discussing the cost in money. It brings us back to the first principle that the nation which can stand the biggest financial drain will win, and the prominence given to the finance of the war by the leaders in the belligerent nations emphasizes this truth. Andrew Bonar Law declared at a banquet in London Tuesday night that the wealth of England has not been touched and that England can stand the strain longest. Yet all the nations are crying out for the most rigid economy, and the cost of the war is staggering the world.

An idea of the vastness of the war expenditures may be gained from the following figures, compiled by the Economist, which takes a conservative stand: Great Britain spends per day \$22,500,000; Germany, \$20,000,000; France, \$12,500,000; Russia, \$12,500,000; Austria, \$12,500,000; Italy, \$7,500,000; Belgium, Serbia and Turkey, \$2,500,000. Not less than \$50,000,000 a day is being spent in war. In another year the warring nations will be burdened with additional debt to the amount of \$32,850,000,000.

As may be seen, the British expenditure is the heaviest, the prime minister having recently declared that there is little hope of its being kept under \$25,000,000 a day. In one year it will amount to three-fourths of the national income. A few comparisons, as given by a leading English economist, may give a better idea of the cost: The Crimean war cost Britain what she is spending in two weeks; the Boer war cost her what she is spending in eight weeks, and the twelve years' Napoleonic war did not cost her what she is spending in nine weeks. Can it be wondered that economy is urged, or that all the nations are fighting desperately to avoid defeat and the paying of an indemnity?

IN THE REICHSTAG

The reading of the important speech made in the Reichstag by Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the imperial treasury, will not arouse a great deal of confidence in those in sympathy with Germany. It is far more sober in tone than the average German official statement, and for the first time there are hints of deep-seated economic trouble within the empire. In fact its most striking feature was the contrast between the recital of great military victories and the economic depression which enemies of Germany have confidently predicted.

After a brief review of the situation in the east and west and the ending of the Serbian campaign, the secretary spoke on the necessity for taxation as a means of raising revenue, with reference to a tax on war profits and an increase in income tax. Coming to the food question, he said: "We have corn for bread. Potatoes, the most important food of the people, are abundant. If, in other things, there may be a scarcity, as cannot be disputed, yet the hardships thus caused to a majority of the poorer population will be surmounted by the organization of the provision market."

Germany had hoped for a speedy victory, but the war has dragged on for almost a year and a half, and the allies are holding together in a determination to win. The starvation policy of England is evidently proving effective, and the vigilant English navy is proving the greatest foe of the Fatherland. Germany is feeling the pinch of poverty in soldiers, in money, in food, and if the allies can hold together, it looks as though Germany must soon wear out. Yet, this is not

INTESTINAL INDIGESTION

Some people think that the entire process of digestion takes place in the stomach. There is intestinal indigestion also, and this latter is usually associated with constipation. Sometimes it is the cause, sometimes the effect. Harsh, strong purgatives that clear the intestines quickly leave the delicate membranes inflamed and dry, usually in a worse condition than before. It was to avoid just this that Pinklets, the new laxative were devised. They are so dainty, sugar-coated granules and they act gently with no gripping.

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by any means certain, though the view is supported by the admissions of the Reichstag.

WOMEN WORKERS

The difference between physical work as contrasted with mental has been the source of much controversy and it has figured occasionally in court proceedings. A typical instance has just been revealed in a decision handed down by the state supreme court. Under the terms of the law limiting the hours of women an employing company was prosecuted and convicted for having employed a woman cashier for more than 54 hours in one week. The defence offered was that the cashier was not a laborer in the sense of the statute, but the supreme court has decided otherwise, and the ruling will be received with interest in all labor circles.

It is gratifying to find that such a principle has gained such high recognition, for the worker in mental pursuits often works harder than the worker whose tasks are purely physical. The man in the saw or the woman at the loom may go home with tired muscles and a lame back, but the effects are transitory and their health does not necessarily suffer. The girl in the office, on the other hand, has a far greater responsibility and there is a far greater strain on her mind. There are more office workers, writers, teachers, etc., in the ranks of nervous wrecks than there are laborers, and our sanatoriums will show that it is for the advantage of the race that the health of our mental workers be conserved.

The 54 hour law was passed to prevent the exploitation of labor and to save many workers from themselves, and it applies with as much force to the worker in the office as to the girl at the counter or in the factory.

FEAR OF COMPETITION

Advocates of a high tariff are taking advantage of the war to create a scare that when the war is over Europe will flood our markets with cheap products. This movement is known abroad, and some of the comments made are highly interesting. Robert Pinot, secretary of an organization which represents all the iron and steel manufacturers of France, gave a very interesting interview to the Associated Press a few days ago during which he declared the American argument ridiculous. The opening paragraph, which sounds true and sincere, will serve to show how slight is the issue on which the forecasters of calamity would build:

"It is unfortunately true that we must look to the United States for several years to supply us with money, credits, and with raw materials and manufactured materials. I say this is unfortunately true because I realize that we will be working for the next 20 years to pay what we owe. Not before that time can we begin to put any profits in our own pockets. The fear that as soon as the war is ended the manufacturers now busy making arms and cannon and shells will convert their factories into the making of products to compete with yours is unfounded."

Anybody who realizes even faintly the drains of the war will be ready to acknowledge that this French leader speaks the truth and that America need have no fear of unfair competition when the war is over. All the nations will have too much to do through years of reconstruction to prevent their trying to undersell us in our home markets. War has given birth to a crop of fears in this country but at least this one fear is groundless.

SEEN AND HEARD

A pretty girl who doesn't know that she is pretty is much duller than the average.

It is always very discouraging to a man who is running for office to meet somebody who doesn't know it.

If a man is always polite and courteous, women are willing to forgive him a great many serious faults.

The man who has spent three months at a fishing resort ought to be able to tell newcomers the best places to go to get fish, but he doesn't always do it.

Sometimes it doesn't add so much to the joy of life to have a friend come in when you are busy, just to tell you a new automobile joke.

If a fountain pen will only write right off the first time trying and keep

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writing as long as it is needed, it is well worth all it cost.

Some people who go to church regularly every Sunday might be embarrassed if you should ask them to tell you what the minister preached about two weeks ago.

Not So Romantic

Fred Jane, the writer on naval subjects, tells a story of an old gentleman, an enthusiastic navy leaguer, who visited Portsmouth, England, and looked at Nelson's Victory lying in the harbor. A bluejacket passed. The old gentleman seized him and pointed to the Victory floating in the glory of the sunset.

"Do you know what that ship means to me?" he exclaimed.

"Rather," replied the bluejacket, "it's the old tub they holds court-martial in."

Known Hard and Harder

In the smoking room of a New York hotel, during a recent educational conference, one schoolmaster approached another, and by way of introducing himself said:

"I'm Beck."

"That's good," replied the man addressed, raising the proffered hand.

"I'm more so," asked the first speaker.

"I say I am more so," repeated the second.

"What do you mean by that?"

"Why, you say you are Beck."

"Well, my name is Becker."

Your Christmas Presents

The Lowell postoffice, postoffices in the suburban towns and postoffices all over America are now preparing to handle the annual rush of holiday and Christmas mail matter. It is just as important to remind the public to do their Christmas mailing early as it is to do their Christmas shopping early. Early mailing, secure wrapping and plain addressing are urged by the post office authorities and in order to encourage early mailing the postoffice department is sanctioning the writing on packages of "Do Not Open Until Christmas" or words to that effect. The postal authorities have suggested the following "Don'ts" for those sending Christmas mail:

Don't forget to wrap parcels securely.

Don't seal, as sealed packages, call for letter rates.

Don't forget to write address plainly.

Don't forget to put sender's name and address on upper left hand corner.

Don't fail to insure valuable packages.

And above all, mail Christmas gifts early.

If you do you will not only be sure to have gifts arrive in season, but will assist the overworked postal men, persons contemplating the purchase of new orders as Christmas presents for relatives and friends in groups are advised to obtain them by December 1, or as soon thereafter as possible. Owing to the war, all mails for Europe are subject to censorship and delay and the transmission of money orders is not accepted, even if intended for countries not actually engaged in war.

Unattainable

She's such a charming little lass,
She sells my heart a-heating.
If she were in the apple class
She sure would be a Sweetie.

She wins the hearts of all she meets
Because she is so artless.
And even those whom she rejects
Would never call her heartless.

Most certainly no lass could be
So winsome, so dainty, so neat.
And all the poets that she meets
Sing of her charms in metre.

She's just adored, this lovely lass,
By all her seven brothers.
But she, alas! can never be mine,
Because she is another's.

—Somerville Journal.

TO INCREASE R. R. RATES

NEW YORK CENTRAL FILES PETITION—PASSENGER BUSINESS NOT PAYING, SAYS AGENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—In explanation of the New York Central's action in filing with the up-state public service commission a schedule of tariffs based on a rate of 2 1/2¢ a mile L. R. Vostburgh, general passenger agent of the road, said today that the cost of operation forced the change.

"We are trying to make our passenger business pay its share of income," said Mr. Vostburgh. "In view of the increased cost of wages and of steel cars, which is double that of wooden cars 15 years ago, the many safety devices demanded, the cost of power and other items of increased expense, we believe this increase is justified. Other roads have recognized this and have raised their rates. The New Haven and other New England lines did it last year."

The passenger fare from New York to Buffalo is not affected and, it was said, most of the western rates will be unchanged.

TWENTY YEARS PASTOR

ANNIVERSARY OF REV. CALEB E. FISHER AT FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH SUNDAY

An anniversary service will be held in the First Universalist church Sunday morning commemorating the conclusion of the Rev. Caleb E. Fisher's 20th year as pastor of the church. On Wednesday evening the Men's club of the church will tender Dr. Fisher a reception. A banquet will be served, addresses will be given by local clergymen and others and a special musical program will be furnished.

Dr. Fisher began his pastorate at the First Universalist church 20 years ago next Wednesday, coming here from Utica, N. Y. Since then the membership of the church has increased steadily and today it is one of the largest in the city.

DOGS AND CATS POISONED

VALUABLE ANIMALS MISSING IN ATHOL—ATTORNEY FIELD REPORTS LOSS

ATHOL, Dec. 2.—The mystery attached to the poisoning of many dogs, cats and chickens in the section of the town known as Vineland, at Athol Highlands, during the past few weeks was increased yesterday, when Attorney Charles Field, son of the late Judge Field, stated that a valuable cat owned by the family had been poisoned.

J. E. Murphy of the Athol Supply Co. said yesterday that a dog valued at \$35 had been missing several days and it may be that this animal has met the same fate of others in town.

The police have been working on the Vineland case for several days.

SHOE CUTTERS STRIKE

TO EMPLOYEES OF SPRINGVALE, ME., PLANT QUIT—WORK TRANSFERRED TO CAMBRIDGE

SPRINGVALE, Me., Dec. 2.—Seventy shoe cutters walked out of factories 3 and 4 of the Sears, Roebuck company here yesterday morning. Yesterday afternoon the equipment of the cutting department was transferred to the company's factory at Cambridge, Mass.

"The cutters struck because of dissatisfaction over a price put on a certain pattern by the company, Frank Case, superintendent of the shoe department of the Sears, Roebuck company of Chicago, and Manager McDonald of the Boston office arrived at Springvale two hours after the cutters walked out. A conference was held and the shipment of the equipment to Cambridge began.

KEPT FROM CHILDREN

MRS. RANTOUL HAS NOT TOLD LITTLE ONES OF RUMRILL'S RE-NEWED VISITS

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—For more than a year—ever since an evening in the early fall of 1914, when Chester G. Rumrill called upon Mrs. Louis Burnett Rantoul at her Jamaica Plain home and renewed the friendship that had come to a sudden and disastrous end in July, 1911—Mrs. Rantoul has kept all knowledge of his visits, his telephone calls and his correspondence from the two children whose whole future lives may be changed by the outcome of the hearings now underway in the probate court at East Cambridge.

To this fact Mrs. Rantoul testified yesterday afternoon, while under cross-examination by her husband's attorney. She is battling with every resource at her command to defeat the purpose of her husband, Edward L. Rantoul, who is asking the courts for sole custody of his little ones.

These children—Harriet, aged 10, and Mabel, who is only nine—who have been the centre of a renewed family squabble that twice before has been aired in court, are, according to their mother's testimony, entirely unaware of the storm that is raging about them. They do not know that they are figuring so prominently in the news of the day. They know nothing of the coming into their mother's Springfield banker, whose recent visits are being now offered, among other things, as evidence of the alleged unfitness of their mother to care for them.

HULL TO BUY ITS LIGHT

TOWN WILL PURCHASE CURRENT AND DISTRIBUTE IT OVER ITS OWN WIRES AND POLES

HULL, Dec. 2.—The committee of 11 appointed to investigate the advisability of selling the Hull municipal electric lighting plant to the Weymouth Electric Light company last night presented its report.

The proposition to purchase the current from an outside company to be distributed by the town over its own poles and wires was accepted.

This means the town will have to appropriate \$3000 the first year and less each year as the income is increased. There will be a special town meeting at an early date to confirm its adoption.

ELIOT CHURCH SUPPER

Dramatic Sketch Presented by the Children—Large Number in Attendance

The annual December supper and entertainment held last evening in the vestry of the Eliot Congregational church attracted a large number of members and friends. A palatable supper was served at 6:30 o'clock after which a sketch entitled "The Woman in the Shoe" was given. The part of the old woman was interpreted by Mrs. Nichols and the program and children taking part were as follows: Song, Elton and Elsie Slik; "Peter-Peter," Joseph F. Burtt and Caroline Duncan; "Little Boy Peep," Pauline Foster; "Little Miss Muffet," Helen Cadby; "The Boy Blue," Richard Cadby; "There Was a Little Girl Who Had a Little Curl," Margaret Onley; "Little Red Riding Hood," Elizabeth Torlgian; song, "Peter Noddy," Richard Burtt; "Miss Mary," Bernice F. Frisbie; "Old Woman, Old Woman," Edna

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Olney: song, "Bob White," Richard Burtt, "When I Was a Bachelor," Joseph Burtt and Caroline Duncan; "Neapolitan Girl," Madeline Pinkham; "Scotch Boy and Girl," Elma Y. Gustafson and Randolph Cadby; "Russians," Jessie M. Gibson and Edna Southam; "Indian Boy," Samuel Babigan; "Little Puritan Maid," Caroline Duncan; "John Alden and Priscilla," Arthur Thompson and Helen Farrington; "Father Time and Little New Year," James Sykes and Donald McAuley; "Miss Columbia," Gertrude F. Frisbie.

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\$10,000 TO HARVARD

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Gifts to Harvard totaling \$109,924.76 were announced yesterday at the meeting of the corporation. The largest of these, \$55,633, came from Mrs. Ezra R. Thayer, in memory of her husband, formerly dean of the law school.

The income is to be used to pay the salary of an instructor in the Harvard law school, to be known as the Ezra Ripley Thayer teaching fellow.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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We have the most beautiful assortment of goods in Jewelry, Cut Glass, Silverware, both Sterling and Plated Ware, that we have ever shown. We were fortunate in receiving a large shipment of our goods before the scarcity occurred.
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A beautiful line from \$1 Up.
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In silver and gold in most artistic models and at suitable prices.
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In Silver, with mirror, brush and mug; mirror can be turned at any angle.
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David Perreault & Co.
Watch Windows 260 MERRIMACK ST. Opposite Anne St.

MERRIMACK RIVER PLANS

Hearing to be Held About Feb. 8—New Hampshire May Also Join the Movement

(Special to The Sun)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—The hearing on Cong. Rogers' appeal from the adverse report of Col. Craighill on the Merrimack river project will be held in Washington on Feb. 8 or thereabouts, so that the New England delegates to the National Chamber of Commerce convention can attend without making a special trip.

It is also expected that by that time the report on the survey of the river from Lowell to Manchester will be filed at the war department so that it may come up for consideration at the same hearing. Should the latter report

be adverse and an appeal be made to the war department those desiring a hearing would probably be heard at the same time, so that the project might be considered as a whole.

The added interest given to this subject by the introduction of the New Hampshire contingent may cause the war department officials to look at the matter in a more serious way than they have heretofore done.

The second appeal from Col. Craighill's report indicates that the Merrimack valley advocates of the improvement are not to be easily discouraged or defeated. A definite date for the hearing will be named next week.

CONNELLY MADE JUDGE

COUNCIL CONFIRMS HIS NOMINATION—TURNS DOWN OTHER NOMINATIONS BY GOV. WALSH

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Although the executive council yesterday unanimously confirmed Thomas H. Connelly, private secretary to Gov. Walsh, as judge of the Brighton municipal court, it turned down two other nominations and postponed action on three more.

Those of Judge Edward B. O'Brien of Marblehead as a member of the Industrial accident board; Charles F. W. Archer of Lynn as deputy commissioner of state aid and pensions, and Russell A. Wood, reappointed to the commission on economy and efficiency, were laid over for a week.

The council, by a vote of 7 to 2, refused to confirm T. James Gallagher of Watertown as clerk of the Waltham district court, and by a vote of 8 to 1 refused to confirm the nomination of Dr. George A. Powers of Worcester as associate medical examiner of Worcester county.

In the morning a lengthy hearing was held on the Gallagher nomination, the friends of Dudley Roberts, the present clerk of the Waltham court, appearing to urge his retention in office. Councilors Wright and Buckley voted for Mr. Gallagher's confirmation, while Mr. Buckley alone voted for Dr. Powers. Rejection in the latter instance was moved by Councilor Denn of Worcester, who stated to the council, it is reported, that he had a list of 30 Worcester county physicians who opposed Dr. Powers.

One of the most important of the new nominations made yesterday by the governor was that of Mrs. Helen M. Norcross of Wellesley Hills as a member of the prison commission to succeed Hannah T. Carrel of Cambridge, who has resigned.

Other new nominations included Edward D. Mullane of Boston, a member

of the board of boiler rules to succeed Thomas R. Armstrong, who has resigned; Fred M. Truesdell of Pittsfield, a special officer of the M.S.P.C.A.; Frederic W. Kingman of Walpole, William P. Nickerson of Norwood, and Ernest H. Gilbert of Stoughton as trustees of the Norfolk county independent agricultural school, a body created by an act of this year's legislature.

The governor reappointed Dr. Lester H. Howard of Boston, commissioner of animal industry; Lawrence A. Lyons of Quincy, clerk of the district court of eastern Norfolk; Fred W. Croft of Worcester, master in chancery for Worcester county, and Edwin P. Fitzgerald of Somerville, master in chancery.

All of yesterday's nominations were laid over for a week.

The council voted to grant a pardon under parole conditions to George L. Phelps of Williamstown, who was sentenced July 21, 1914, to three years in the Pittsfield house of correction for receiving goods stolen from the Arnold Print Works.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

OPERA HOUSE

"Under Cover"—the famous dramatic success is the talk of the city: The Emerson players are scoring their biggest success of this season in this thrilling drama, and indications point to packed houses for the remainder of the week. Seats are selling fast and should be secured early as the management has already made arrangements for "A Pair of Sixes" to follow this attraction. Phone the box office now. Call 261.

Have your seats put away and then you are certain not to be one of the many hundreds that will be turned away.

Homer Barton as Stephen Denby is at his best in the character. Mr. Barton plays the part just as the author intended and no better portrayal could be conceived. Ann O'Brien as Ethel Cartwright, plays the character in her usual charming manner and wears many new gown creations. Her work

is another great testimonial to her splendid ability as an artist. Edwin Nannary as Daniel Taylor, a new addition to the Emerson players offers a splendid bit of acting and his strength in the character is only one of the many brilliant characters which he will portray. Joe Crehan, popular Joe as Monty Vaughn is wonderfully good in his characterization and furnishes many laughs. Carson Davenport as Michael Harrington and Louise Harrington as Mrs. Alice Harrington are indeed splendid. Richard Barry and Walter von Hoekman play the customs house officers splendidly. Gertrude Shirley as Army Cartwright and Eunice Elliott as Nora Rutledge do very well. Dorel Goodwin as Sarah Peabody is fine. Frank Wright, Forrest Gordon and other members of the company play their parts nicely. It is the best cast play that Lowell has ever seen.

"Under Cover" is superbly produced. The scenic effects are splendid and surpass everything that has ever been seen in this city. The settings are just as the original, with all the detail complete, not the slightest effort or expense being spared to make the pro-

JIM HALEY AND JESS NOBLE
In "Falling For Her" Appearing at B. F. Keith's Theatre All This Week

duction a living one in the memory of the theatre patrons.

Do not wait until it is too late. Secure your seats now.

Next week, the Emerson players will present another wonderful success, "A Pair of Sixes"—the funniest farce in the world and a play which is known by everyone in New England on account of its wonderful run of 26 weeks at the Wilbur theatre in Boston. The play has been received by the critics throughout the country with an expression of praise that almost exhausted the superlatives, and the hilarious farce has made good everywhere despite this avalanche of praise. It has made theatregoers expect much and they have not been disappointed. For ingenuity of plot, bright dialogue, hilarious complications and most amusing situations, it is declared the best play of its kind ever seen on the English speaking stage.

"A Pair of Sixes" will be another big winner. It is only one of the many good plays that the Opera House bulletin. They are sure winners in the line of theatrical entertainment.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

Dustin Farnum, whose name is a magnet on theatre-goers everywhere, will be seen today, tomorrow and Saturday at the Merrimack Square theatre in his latest release, the five-act farce, "The Gentleman From Indiana." No sweeter love story was ever put on the screen than this tender romance. Mr. Farnum in the stellar role. With dainty Miss Winifred Kingston, the popular London favorite playing opposite Mr. Farnum, the two young people carry out the absorbing plot of this famous romance with a delicacy and charm which has never yet been equaled on the motion picture stage. The thrilling moment when a bullet from the Whitecaps in ambush carries love-making in the old fashioned manner. Farnum's part, the old fashioned love-making in the old fashioned manner, and finally the touching reunion long afterward beside the Franklin hand newspaper office is a delightful picture. "The Gentleman From Indiana" is a treat for everyone and it is life ever presented on the motion picture stage.

Besides the above named stars who appear in this telling picture, the cast includes such stars as Herbert Standring, Howard Day and others. This feature will be presented today at 3.30, 5.15 and 8.45 p. m. All large audiences are invited to see this picture and determine for themselves.

Farnum is not the only star who plays a leading role at the Merrimack Square theatre during the last half of the week. For the accomplished Warren Kerrigan will be seen today, tomorrow and Saturday in the principal character of the two-act drama, "A Shriek in the Night." This is a powerful play, the leading role of which is played by a master actor, so this is another reason why you should see this show. The remainder of the bill for the latter half of the week consists of the instructive as well as entertaining farcical travel pictures and a comedy.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

"Jimmy" Wynne, the well known bowler, was the fortunate person at the B. F. Keith theatre, yesterday afternoon, holding the seat check which gave to him a 61-piece dinner set. Large audiences are attending performances this week and the answer is found in the quality of entertainment purveyed. The Seven Colonial Belles give a musical offering of more than usual strength and attractiveness. Miss Dorothy Sherman, the leader and pianist, is most gifted, and she has surrounded herself with young women of very positive talents. Miss Gavin, the cellist, is a very good, and Miss Merrill, the solo violinist, plays well. Miss Davis, the soprano soloist, offers a number of fine selections. All the way through this act is a delight. On its costume side it is very effective. Elsie Williams & Co. in "Who Was to Blame?" have a shift which has the merit of novelty and which is very well done. Miss Williams plays the part of the superstitious young bride, who just knows that a terrible falling out is bound to come because she drops a salt cellar. And because she feels that way about it, young Mr. Newlywed does become exasperated, and the expected occurs. It isn't anything very dramatic, but it appears that, and more, to the pair. Jim Haley and Jess Noble bring forth a lot of funny comedy, and Cooper and Smith sing their own songs well. Other good things on the bill are: Watson & Little in a singing sketch; Odette, novelty musician, and Gere & Delaney, skaters. Good seats for the remaining performances may be obtained in advance at the box office. Phone 25.

JEWEL THEATRE

The popularity of William Farnum in the role of "Glennister," the hero of "The Glens," the world's greatest film masterpiece cannot be doubted. This magnificent play will again be seen at the Jewel theatre at today and tomorrow's performances. No story has a stronger hold on the public than this wonderful photo-novel by Jack London. It thrills one as never before, the act

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ing is a revelation, and the scenery is the most realistic and most restful of life in the far Alaska. The climax, the great fight between "McNamara" and "Glennister" is the greatest film fight ever seen. That alone is worth the price of admission. Many other feature films will complete one of the strongest programs ever witnessed in Lowell for the prices.

FIRES ON BIG STEAMERS

BLAZES IN COAL BUNKERS SAID TO BE CAUSED BY CHEMICALS MIXED WITH COAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Acting upon suspicion that the fires which have started in coal bunkers of several steamships leaving here with munitions of war for the entente allies were caused by chemicals mixed with the coal, federal and city detectives are working as coal trimmers in the bunkers of some of the steamships now loading here.

The investigators are said to have received information from an undisclosed source that a new chemical compound is being tested by persons seeking to prevent the movement of war munitions and that coal impregnated with this compound will take fire spontaneously.

SHIP UNDER SUSPICION

WINNEBAGO ORDERED TO LEAVE BUENOS AIRES FOR STAMFORD, CONN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Richard F. Wagner, president of the American Trans-Atlantic Co., announced today that he had ordered the steamer Winnebago to leave Buenos Aires for Stamford, Conn., without further delay. The Winnebago is one of the vessels listed by the British government as under suspicion of carrying arms. She is loaded with que-bracho wood.

Three other steamships of the American Trans-Atlantic Co., placed under American registry last summer, the Hocking, Genesee and Kankakee, have been seized by British warships and the state department is now investigating a report that Great Britain is taking steps to regulation them without taking them before a prize court.

GORIZIA AT ANY COST

Appalling Losses for Italians on the Isonzo are Reported, Says Berlin Despatch

BERLIN, Dec. 2.—"Appalling losses for the Italians on the Isonzo are reported from the front," the Overseas news agency says. "The Italians apparently have decided to take Gorizia without regard for their immense sacrifices."

"General opinion is that the fury of the battle has not reached its highest pitch. All positions are firmly held by the Austro-Hungarian forces, although some of them have already been destroyed. Each night the Austrians and Hungarians repair damages inflicted during the day, notwithstanding heavy artillery fire and infantry attacks."

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\$21.50	\$13.98
\$22.50 Art Squares, Perfect—Oriental and colonial designs; 6x9 ft.	\$15.00 Art Squares, Perfect—Oriental designs and colors; 4½x7½ ft.
\$12.98	\$8.98
\$12.50 Art Squares, Perfect—Oriental designs and colors; 4½x6½ ft.	\$2.98 Axminster Rugs, Perfect—27x60.
\$7.98	\$2.25
	\$4.98 Axminster Rugs, Perfect—36x72.
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\$65 Kirimians, 9x12 ft. \$45	\$25.00 Art Squares—9x12 ft.—Oriental designs.
\$50 Bigelow, 9x12 ft. \$32.50	\$14.98
\$40 Bagdad, 9x12 ft. \$29.50	
\$37.50 French, 9x12 ft. \$27.50	\$22.50 Art Squares—8¼x10½ ft.—Oriental designs.
\$45 Lyons, 8¼x10½ ft. \$37.50	\$12.98
Some of the above that are slightly imperfect in matching or shading, \$45 to \$55 grade; all in 9x12 ft. size—	\$15.00 Art Squares—6¾x9 ft.—Oriental designs.
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IN CITY LEAGUE

Kimballs Rolled 1637—
Brennan Has String of
153—Other Games

The game between the Kimball System and Bridge Streets of the City Bowling league last night proved to be one of the most sensational contests held on the alley for a long time. The System quintet was rolling at its best and topped the pins over to the tune of 1637, defeating the Bridge Streets by a margin of 249 pins. Brennan of the winning team was high man with a single of 153 and a triple of 359.

The Jewels also captured all four points from the Burnswicks. Every member of the winning team went over the 300 mark, Jodoin with a triple of 347 being high man.

The game between the White Ways and Edgewood resulted in the former team winning three points. Bernardini of the winning team was high man. Two games were rolled in the Moody Bidge Garage, the West Sixth street aggregation taking three points from the Barry Shoe Co., while the game between J. P. S. and Nationals resulted in a tie, each winning two points.

CITY LEAGUE
The Kimball System

	1	2	3	Totals
Planders	106	106	92	284
McDermott	112	108	116	336
Brennan	112	104	153	369
Crab	99	109	115	323
Martel	115	109	115	339
Totals	524	526	535	1637

Bridge Streets

	1	2	3	Totals
Panton	94	95	91	280
Brigham	101	98	92	291
Nathan	87	87	84	258
Swenson	81	104	94	279
Devlin	98	92	84	274
Totals	461	476	450	1387

Jewels

	1	2	3	Totals
Farrell	101	114	90	305
Whipple	98	81	103	282
McDermott	89	102	111	302
Jodoin	131	112	103	346
Martin	116	103	115	334
Totals	535	512	522	1569

Burnswicks

	1	2	3	Totals
Whalen	110	97	112	319
Clark	92	85	82	259
Arnold	91	101	117	309
Piecy	95	79	102	276
Perrin	92	85	102	279
Totals	470	449	513	1432

White Ways

	1	2	3	Totals
Cole	96	95	105	296
Giffin	95	89	112	296
Bernardini	111	106	108	325
Hall	103	100	98	301
Kempion	107	121	95	323
Totals	512	492	518	1522

Moody Bidge Garage
Barry Shoe Co.

	1	2	3	Totals
Desrosier	78	96	88	262
Perrault	88	90	89	267
Wagner	80	81	85	246
Davis	81	79	76	236
L'Heureux	103	91	76	270
Totals	430	427	414	1271

West Sixth

	1	2	3	Totals
Gath	91	87	78	256
Vezina	92	84	86	262
Gray	88	88	80	256
Wagner	82	78	73	233
Bouquet	81	87	97	265
Totals	434	426	424	1284

J. P. S.

	1	2	3	Totals
Dufresne	83	83	78	244
Bellefleur	90	95	90	275
Charest	91	80	82	253
Breault	97	103	85	285
Lapin	88	83	82	253
Totals	449	441	418	1308

Nationals

	1	2	3	Totals
Levy	86	83	89	258
Pigeon	75	72	78	225
Anderson	76	84	83	243
Pinehead	73	80	81	234
Lebrun	83	105	81	269
Totals	400	423	439	1262

GRIDIRON COMMENT

Eddie Cawley, the Colby dier, and John McNamee, a dental student at Tufts college, attended the Waltham-Everett game last Saturday.

Capt. James Liston of the Lowell high 1915 team will have to go some next year if he wants to equal the eloquent efforts of James "Roundy" Reane, this year's pilot. Reane made several speeches prior to the last three big games.

Nine lives were lost on the gridiron this fall. Last year the death toll in football was 15. The difference may be the result of changes in the rules, but that is doubtful since most deaths occur in games where minute details of rules are liable to be overlooked.

Manchester high did not have a very successful season on the gridiron. The team played nine games, winning four, losing four and tying one. Manchester scored 84 points and the opponents 126. Manchester and Concord played a scoreless tie.

Faculty Manager Kerrigan of the local school team was awarded an "M" at the meeting held Tuesday after school. Manager Kerrigan deserves this recognition for his tireless energy for the team.

The All Stars vs. Indians game, to be played at Spalding park Saturday afternoon, promises to be a thriller as both aggregations are great rivals. The teams will be comprised of the pick of the city and, as a result, those who attend will witness former high school stars, amateur crickers and college men in action. The game will start promptly at 2 o'clock, and the officials will be: Dr. Matt Mahoney, referee; Joseph L. Cronin, head linesman.

To Be Replayed by Burnings and Olympics at Lawrence Next Saturday.

Great interest is being taken in the replayed state cup tie between Olympics and Burnings which will be played at Burnham park, Lawrence, on Saturday. These teams played to a tie two weeks ago at Lowell and the supporters of each are claiming a victory for their pets this week-end. As this is the only game in Lawrence, a good crowd should be on hand to see it.

The display of the Olympic team this season has been of the in and out variety, but they can be relied upon to put up a great game on Saturday and have chosen their strongest team.

There is only one league game played this week-end—Beverly vs. Andover—and this game will have a good following for Beverly's chances for the championship depend upon them winning on Saturday and Andover cannot afford to lose with Methuen and Beverly so close behind.

The Olympics and Burnings will line up as follows:

Olympics—Hutton, goal; Hulse and Butterworth, fullbacks; Eaton, MacIntosh and Winslow, halfbacks; Gilmarin, Ratcliffe, McIntosh, Butler, Roberts, forwards.

Burnings—J. Smith, goal; H. Rishon and A. Smith, fullbacks; H. Lowe, W. Keller and W. Gifford, halfbacks; J. Wallace, A. Carnathan, W. McAllister, Mitchell and Greenhalgh, forwards.

Thompson Ritchie will referee.

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show against the local aggregation for Worcester gave Marlboro a drubbing, and both Lowell and Milford have defeated the heart of the commonwealth team.

A record breaking crowd turned out at Tuesday night's game and, needless to say, they enjoyed the struggle immensely. Referee Frank Hulse's work was the only disappointment, and the crowd gave vent to its displeasure at the poor decisions meted out by the league decision makers on several occasions.

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The charges in connection with the Connecticut Baptist convention were not disposed of, but latterly that organization has favored his release, thinking him sufficiently punished. Walker is 69 years old.

NO SEPARATE PEACE
ITALY GIVES HER ADHERENCE
TO LONDON AGREEMENT OF
ENTENTE ALLIES

PARIS, Dec. 2.—Italy gave her adherence on Monday to the London agreement of the other entente allies not to conclude a separate peace, says a Milan dispatch to the Matin.

Lieut. Gen. Count Cadorna, chief of the Italian general staff who was to have visited France for a conference with the French and British commanders and for an inspection of the western battle front, has been compelled to forego his trip, because of the intensity of the fighting in the Italian front, especially along the Isonzo. Count Cadorna, chief of the general staff, will be sent as a substitute and will arrive in Paris Dec. 5.

If it is true that Italy gave adherence to the London agreement on Monday, and at an earlier dispatch from Rome said formal announcement of her decision was made to parliament by Foreign Minister Sonnino, the step was taken almost simultaneously with more or less detailed reports that Austria had insisted on the French and British to have negotiations for a separate peace. It has been asserted also that Emperor William's visit to Vienna was taken to circumvent such action on the part of Germany's ally.

Some of the most distinguished men in the city paid a tribute to the Japanese officer last night at a dinner in his honor at the Lotus club. Herbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, said that America desires the friendship of Japan if for no other reason than his personal advantage.

"We have no other people to do business with than the Japanese," said Mr. Gary. "Every act of theirs has been honorable and high-minded so far as their dealings with us are concerned. They are open and fair; there are no bad debts. We are glad to sell to them and buy of them."

ITALIANS TO AID SERBIANS
ROME, Dec. 2.—What is believed to have been an intimation that an Italian expedition soon will be sent to Albania was given by Foreign Minister Sonnino when he said that as soon as possible the Italian flag would wave from the opposite coast of the Adriatic to help the Serbians.

NAVY FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS
NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The sailors of the battleship Wyoming of the Brooklyn navy yard won the football championship of the Atlantic fleet, by defeating the team of the New Hampshire of Norfolk station in the final game of the series here yesterday by 8 to 0.

PROFESSIONALISM CHARGED
NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Charges of professionalism were formally made last night against George Goulding, world's champion walker, who belongs to the Toronto A.A.A. of Canada, last night at a meeting of the local committee of the Amateur Athletic union by William Barry, a former national champion walker. Barry's specific offense against the A.A.U. Goulding committed was not made known.

NEW ORDER IN COUNCIL
NO PERSON SHALL LEAVE ENGLAND WITHOUT A REGULAR PASSPORT
LONDON, Dec. 2.—The new order in council providing that no person, whether a British subject or an alien shall leave the country without a regular passport is expected to have considerable effect on Americans planning to leave England. Therefore, consular certificates of registration will be required. The photograph of the bearer attached were sufficient to allow an American to sail home and because of this many American residents here did not take the trouble to provide themselves with passports.

ADDITION TO HARRISONIA
Frank E. Harris, proprietor of the Harrisonia hotel in Central street, has purchased property assessed for more than \$20,000 in the rear of his hotel and extending back to the Elks' building in Middle street. It is understood that the buildings on the property will be remodeled and the present Harrisonia will be greatly enlarged. Mr. Harris plans to have a garage in Middle street where a liquor saloon is now located, a large additional dining room, leading from the second floor of the present hotel and to top all a roof garden. The property purchased by Mr. Harris includes two separate parcels and takes in all that at the rear of his hotel extending to the Elks' building in Middle street.

EMPEROR SADAOKO'S 4TH SON
TOKIO, Dec. 2.—Emperor Sadako of Japan gave birth to her fourth son this evening.

SIR SPENCER POSNORBY-PANE
LONDON, Dec. 2, 2.30 p. m.—Sir Spencer Posnorbey-Pane, who was an attaché of the British embassy at Washington in 1846-47, died last evening at the age of 91.

WALKER, FORMER BANK TREASURER, PAROLED AFTER SEVERAL YEARS IN PRISON
HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 2.—William F. Walker, ex-treasurer of the Savings Bank of New Britain, who was sentenced to from 1 to 2 years in state prison for embezzlement of more than half a million dollars of the bank's funds, was yesterday paroled by the state board of pardons.

Walker was sentenced on July 25, 1913. He had served seven years, four months and seven days and had earned 17 months' commutation by good behavior.

Walker disappeared early in February, 1907, and it was then discovered that his accounts at the bank were short \$555,990. It later developed that he had also embezzled about \$75,000 of the funds of the Connecticut Baptist convention, of which he was treasurer. He was arrested in Mexico in December, 1907, and after fighting extradition for several months was finally surrendered to the United States authorities in July, 1904.

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BURIED IN MUD

Two Men and Woman Smothered to Death Under Automobile

GARY, Ind., Dec. 2.—Two men and a woman were smothered to death in the mud under their automobile which overturned and ground its occupants in the mud of the West Gary marsh last night. Gary police, after searching in the vicinity of the accident, believing that another man may have met death in the mishap.

The fire department was called to extricate the bodies of the three victims which have been identified as those of Mrs. Anna Adkins, 25, of Hammond; M. H. Goodrode, 35, of Chicago, and Jack Thompson, 45, of Needles, Calif.

Goodrode and Mrs. Adkins were employees of E. A. Davis of Chicago. Mrs. Adkins' brother-in-law, another man seen in the automobile has not been heard from.

The wrecked automobile was discovered by a pedestrian who noticed the tall light of the car gleaming at the side of the road. He investigated and saw one of the women's feet sticking out of the mud.

BOY SHOT TWO WOMEN

17-YEAR-OLD HOLYOKE FARM HAND, FEARING REBUKE OF EMPLOYER, ATTACKED WOMEN

CLINTON, Dec. 2.—Fearing the rebuke of his employer when the women told of his misdeed, Frank Neary, a 17-year-old Holyoke boy, grabbed a shotgun and fired a charge of bird-shot into the backs and heads of Mrs. Myron and Mrs. Elias Wheeler as they fled from the house after a struggle with him. He is under arrest, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, and will be arraigned in the local court today.

Neary is employed by Myron Wheeler as a farm hand. The two women are Mr. Wheeler's wife and mother. Neither is seriously wounded.

Neary was discovered by Mrs. Elias Wheeler in the act of strapping the hind legs of a heifer in the Wheeler barn. Mrs. Wheeler told the boy that when her son Myron came home that evening she would tell him what he had done.

Fear of his employer's rebuke made him desperate, the boy says, and led him to shoot the women while they were escaping from the house after a struggle with him.

Neary has been under the care of the Berlin branch of the Lyman school since he was 10 years old. He had been turned out to the Wheeler family at three different times. He has been in the family this time since last July.

THE NEW SHIPPING BILL

DRAFT OF MEASURE IN HANDS OF HOUSE MERCHANT MARINE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Draft of an administration shipping bill to take the place of the measure which failed of passage at the last session of congress was in the hands of the house merchant marine committee today. It was prepared after conferences between Secretaries McAdoo and Redfield and would have covered appropriation of \$50,000,000 for merchant ships that could be used as naval auxiliaries.

The bill, too, would create a federal board with jurisdiction over deep water traffic, similar to that exercised by the interstate commerce commission over the railroads. The new bill would be introduced in congress until President Wilson has given his approval after its revision by administration leaders in and out of congress.

VILLA OFFICERS KILLED

TWO GENERALS AND 50 OTHER OFFICERS EXECUTED—VILLA YACUI LEADER SURRENDERS

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 2.—A telegram received last night from Gen. Alvaro Obregon stated that he had received a wireless communication from Gen. Flores saying that the Villa Yacui leader had surrendered with his entire force at Carbu but that Gen. Urbalejo himself escaped later.

Confirmation also was received of the execution of two Villa generals and 50 other officers.

BIG POLICE "SHAKE-UP"

12 NEW OFFICERS AND 48 TRANSFERS IN BOSTON DEPARTMENT

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—In general orders issued last night by Police Commissioner O'Meara, on the eve of the opening of the new Morton street police station he announced several promotions and one of the biggest shifts of superiors that has occurred in recent years.

A new captain, three new lieutenants and four new sergeants, as well as four detective sergeants, were appointed. Seven lieutenants, five sergeants, 34 patrolmen and two reserve men are transferred.

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THE SPELLBINDER

The politicians gave way to the business men this week, and offered no rival attractions to "Dollar Day," which appears to have been a grand success. "Dollar Day" was a scheme of the board of trade to stimulate business. It was but one of several successful plans of that organization to assist the retail merchant. If the board of trade can assist the merchant why not all of the people? It can do this by furthering the cause of the people in a public-spirited non-political way, at city hall. It can lend its aid and influence on matters of public improvement; it can lend its influence in preventing wasteful extravagance, and in other ways can it be of inestimable benefit to the entire public. By lending its influence in behalf of the public good, it will incidentally extend its own influence and become more of a serious proposition in the public mind. When a public official will appear before the board of trade and make it a promise to reduce the cost of street lighting \$25,000, or any similar promise, and then completely ignore the pledge given, making no attempt to carry it out, the inference can only be that the official doesn't take the board of trade seriously. Many people are wondering why the board of trade has remained silent on the high school matter, particularly without any protest on its part, the city government voted to spend \$700,000 on a high school in a side street, making all of its preliminary plans in secret session, one of which was held on a Sunday afternoon, without taking either the board of trade or the general public into its confidence. In other cities with a \$700,000 proposition before the city council one finds the board of trade taking a lively interest in the project, in the interest of all. The board of trade is doing much good for the merchants and it can do much good for the public, if it will.

As We All See It

It has been shown that some men signed both cards; they would not vote for the man they wanted to see elected. And they didn't! "As She Sees It," in Lowell Courier-Citizen.

O, the duplicity of Man!—Boston Globe.

It is not his "duplicity" that we complain of, so much as his failure, as a voting animal, to understand the seriousness of a pledge. "As She Sees It."

And there are others!

Promises and Facts

An amusing illustration of the difference between promises and facts is shown in Pawtucketville. In a store window at Pawtucket square is displayed a big blue print of the new Pawtucket bridge as promised nearly a year ago. Nearby is the bridge as it exists with employees of the street department patching up its rotten planks.

Running the Police Department

A well known citizen when asked how he was going to vote in the coming election replied: "I have no sympathy for a man who breaks his word; it's something that can't be condoned; but still from all accounts I believe that Mayor Murphy's conduct of the police department is better than Mayor O'Donnell's conducted it."

This gentleman's views relative to the police department are the views of many perfectly honest and well meaning men, who form their opinion on "all accounts" but have no personal knowledge of conditions as they really exist.

Mayor Murphy gave the public his views on what he proposed to do relative to the police department, immediately after his election, two years ago, and in a statement which appeared in the Courier-Citizen on December 10, 1913. Mayor Murphy said: "I propose to eliminate my declaration of war against the police department, and shall eliminate politics from the police department, and promotions there will be made absolutely on the merit system. I believe in, and shall do all in my power to have the laws administered fairly and impartially."

His Honor went into office and immediately made a wholesale shift in the police department, all of the O'Donnell supporters being banished to the hard routes, regardless of their age, years of service, or their physical condition. Keeper Frank Whitney who was physically impaired was shifted from an inside assignment to a night post. Lieut. Officer Grady who had been on the force 25 years and whose health was impaired was sent out to climb Centralville hill; Officer Holland, whose physical condition was not good was taken from inside and sent on a hard route. These are only three cases out of many. And they were thus punished simply and solely because they were friendly-disposed toward the former mayor in the previous election. Eliminating politics from the police department is a joke. There has never been so much open politics in the department in its long and strenuous history. Ask any officer who will talk to you without fear of being reported and he'll tell you the truth. Some of them don't speak to each other as the result of politics. The big chief is no exception in the matter of strained relations, either. In the recent contest for representative in wards four and five the entire Murphy crew of the police department were circulating through wards four and five, fighting Rep.-elect O'Donnell, in the interest of Mayor Murphy's candidate for the legislature, and Mr. O'Donnell went down to the police station personally to tell Supt. Welch what he thought of him for mixing in such a contest.

Since the mayoralty contest has started there no politics in the police department? The chief, the liquor inspectors and the messenger probably have been busier on political matters than on anything else since the campaign started. The liquor inspectors have served as scouts to keep tabs on

the hotel-keepers and liquor-dealers to see if they are giving any evidence of favoring anybody but Murphy and they are reporting back at night. Visitors to the Central block at night have at first thought that a big police raid was being pulled off in that building on account of the presence of the police from the big chief down the line, in and about the mayor's law office.

The Merit System

"And promotion there will be made absolutely on the merit system," says Mayor Murphy. According to the merit system of the civil service commission, a patrolman before being promoted to the position of sergeant must pass a special examination and a sergeant before becoming a lieutenant must pass another special examination. But Mayor Murphy has jumped one of his favorites from an inspector's pay to that of a lieutenant, over the heads of five sergeants, and that officer is drawing a lieutenant's pay at the present time though on the civil service list for either sergeant or lieutenant, his name does not appear. The claim may be made that he is still an inspector rather than a lieutenant. But the other inspectors get less pay than the sergeants and this inspector gets more pay than the sergeants. If an inspector gets as much pay as a lieutenant, then by the "equal rights for all" special privileges for none" rule, all of them should receive the pay of a lieutenant. And if the inspectors are entitled to a lieutenant's pay, the sergeants who had to take an additional examination to show their fitness for promotion are entitled to more than the inspectors, and the lieutenants who had to take a second examination to show their fitness for their second promotion are entitled to even more than the sergeants.

"I shall do all in my power to have the laws administered fairly and impartially," said Mayor Murphy.

For a short time after his election, Mayor Murphy and Supt. Welch personally visited the hotels on Sunday to see that the law was being enforced, while the liquor inspectors, four in number were on the jump all the time. The newspapers noted the fact and got the news to the public. Subsequently, the mayor and the superintendent found other things to do on the Sabbath while instead of four liquor inspectors running around the number drops in the city, the "selecting committee" went forth and once more everything was as it had always been, although the fact of the restoration of old conditions was not presented to the public by the mayor's newspaper organs. Elaborately and sensationally prepared raids were made now and then; now upon a small street and now upon a liquor inspector appearing in a detective disguise, then on a poor woman or a Greek storekeeper for selling a five-cent cake of soap on Sunday, when anybody could purchase soap in any drug store on Sunday, the latter being rendered important by the august presence of the police messenger and finger-print expert. Five boys were arrested for shooting craps, and those who didn't stand in line were fined or at least brought into court, while others who had someone behind them were dismissed without appearing in court. The papers extolled the mayor's law enforcement, and yesterday the Courier-Citizen gave us a story on some liquor raids that took place a couple of months ago, but which make good campaign reading and help the cause. But nothing has been said by the police or by the Courier-Citizen about the disgraceful free-for-all fight in a downtown dance hall in which both men and women were involved late last Saturday night. All that must be kept quiet during campaign times. Not much is said about those two murderers who escaped, nor about the safe blowers, hold-up men or other law-breakers other than soap-sellers and juvenile crack-shoppers who have been performing abominably with impunity while the police are waiting for the minor offenders. The laws have been administered neither fairly, impartially nor efficiently, though His Honor didn't promise efficiency, simply fairness and without partiality.

High School Commission

That was a delicate piece of sarcasm that Col. Carmichael shot at Mayor Murphy in yesterday's meeting. But the proposition to have the high school constructed under the direction of a commission of citizens, was under discussion.

Col. Carmichael suggested that it would be a good thing to have a commission to superintend the work, as was done in the case of the city hall and Memorial building.

"Well, there are crooked commissions as well as crooked councils," immediately replied the mayor.

"Yes, but you could appoint the commission," was the colonel's prompt comeback.

Col. Carmichael's proposition to have a commission build the hall didn't set very well with the mayor and Commissioner Morse who are candidates for re-election, and there are some uncharitable enough to suggest that the colonel was "putting it up" to his colleagues. The commission idea is decidedly unpopular in some quarters and quite acceptable in others and hence asking a candidate for re-election to decide whether he favors a commission or not at this particular time is rather unkind. It was quite evident from their reception of the suggestion that the mayor and Commissioner Morse would much rather have the matter come up after election and no doubt if they have their way it will be decided upon until after Dec. 15.

In the course of this discussion of the high school matter, Commissioner Morse made the significant statement: "I don't see how we can do any better than we have done."

Undoubtedly Commissioner Morse is absolutely honest in that statement and a large proportion of the public agree with him. But the best that the present administration can do, as judged by what it has, and has not done, is by no means the best that can be done in the interest of the public. The present administration after rushing with great haste to the legislature for permission to borrow \$700,000, hasn't as yet shown the public for what the money is being borrowed. After a number of secret sessions, the proceedings of which were kept from the public, the members of the legislature for permission to borrow \$700,000 to build a high school. They had no knowledge of what the land would cost at that time, nor what a building would cost, as they had had no plans prepared. Someone told them that a high school would cost that amount. Mayor Murphy probably figured that as his ideal city of Spring-

field had a high school that cost a million, Lowell should have one that would cost two-thirds of what Springfield's cost. It was a repetition of their action in the Pawtucket bridge matter. Someone told them the bridge would cost \$50,000 and they voted to borrow \$30,000 without looking at any plans. Having received the loan for the \$700,000, they select a site without taking the public into their confidence, and their site is a side street addition to the present school where the building will be hidden from view, under the smoky chimneys of the mills, crammed into a small space that admits of no recreation grounds or of no future development. That site perhaps would be all right if Lowell is not going to grow in the future. But Lowell is going to continue to grow in territory, numbers and importance, and years before the amount of the loan for the high school has been paid back, that proposed \$700,000 side street high school will have become inadequate to the demands upon it. When the present high school building was constructed parts of Wigginsville, South Lowell then were in the town of Tewksbury, while all of the upper Highlands was a series of orchards and pastures. A new and large school building has since grown up where those orchards formerly stood and yet the school children of the Highlands still are crowded into the school attic for want of room.

Need More Money

And now we learn that this economical administration which has been boasting of its savings in different departments is crying for more money with which to pay salaries. At yesterday's meeting Agent Bates of the health department stated that the appropriation for office sundries, which includes salaries, is but \$104, while \$1441.43 is needed for the remainder of the year. The appropriation this year was a couple of thousand dollars more than last year, and yet more is needed. Early in the year Mayor Murphy volunteered the information that he was opposed to the raising of salaries after the appropriations had been made, but it subsequently has appeared that his opposition was only verbal. The cost of tuberculosis and contagious diseases which is one of the items requiring an additional appropriation, recalls the bungling efforts of the municipal council to reduce the cost of such cares by the erection of a local hospital for them, as demanded by the law some two years ago.

With the French-American Voters

The French-American voters are being kept busy listening to rumors, reports, propositions and promises, since the primaries and on election day, and then for being skeptical, especially relative to the promises. The Murphy supporters believing that it will be impossible to get the French voters to support the mayor are now urging them to vote blank ballots in the election. The democrats never gave any promise until such time as they vote a blank," is the advice being given.

The French-Americans are demanding recognition, basing their demand on their voting strength. In order to make their demands formidable they must show that they have voting strength, and they never can show voting strength by voting blank ballots. If they support a man who has violated his promises to them; or make his election possible by casting blank ballots, they are due for more broken promises until such time as they assert their power at the polls in a united manner.

Another rumor that is going the rounds of wards 6 and 7 is that Mayor Murphy if elected will support Mr. J. C. Manseau for lieutenant commissioner against John J. Mulvaney. If such is the case then Mr. Mulvaney must be turning the other cheek, for at last accounts he was hustling in his humble way for the mayor's re-election.

THE SPELLBINDER

AGAINST FORD'S TRIP

Faculties of University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Institute Refuse to Sanction Peace Mission

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 2.—Faculties of the University of Pittsburgh and the Carnegie Institute of Technology yesterday refused to officially sanction the proposed peace trip of Henry Ford. The action was taken after a request had been received from him by both to designate a student to represent each institution.

The university authorities announced, however, that Mr. Ford could extend an invitation either to F. A. Moran of Schenectady, N. Y., or J. Steele Gow of Pittsburgh, both students, to accompany him. The faculty decided to permit the officers of the student classes to act on the invitation.

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BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT

Reports of Better Conditions Throughout Country Received From Federal Reserve Agents

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Reports of which have somewhat strengthened "the demoralized prices."

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Members of the American Warehousemen's association here to attend their annual convention, report steadily increasing prosperity all over the country. Chas. L. Criss of Pittsburgh, secretary of the association, declares that the year has been a prosperous one for warehousemen and that this reflects conditions in many lines of business activity.

BIG CARGOES OF GRAIN

2,000,000 BUSHELS SHIPPED FROM BOSTON TO EUROPE DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Boston exported a goodly portion of the immense quantity of grain shipped from the United States to Europe last month. Steamers sailing from here took 2,055,752 bushels of wheat, 126,869 bushels of rye and 301,371 bushels of barley. The shipments of cereals from here from January to November aggregate 11,632,071 bushels, a million bushels less than the amount exported in the same period of 1914. October was the banner month of the year with over 2,000,000 bushels exported.

In the month just ended the amount of flour shipped to Europe from here totaled 82,053 sacks and 187 barrels. From Jan. 1, the shipments amounted to 157,657 sacks and 13,305 barrels, while in the corresponding eleven months of 1914 the amount of flour exported was 704,723 sacks and 8251 barrels.

HEADQUARTERS OPENED

FORMER MAYOR O'DONNELL ADDRESSED LARGE GATHERING—WARD ORGANIZATIONS FORMED

Hon. James E. O'Donnell opened campaign headquarters in John street last evening, with a large gathering of supporters in attendance, all sections of the city being represented.

Mr. O'Donnell addressed the meeting informally on the issues prominent in the campaign, after which a discussion took place in which several of those present participated.

Ward organizations were formed and meetings of the voters of the different wards will be held.

The headquarters will remain open daily until after election day, and will be in charge of Mr. William Queenan.

FRENCH WAR REPORT

PARIS, Dec. 2.—The communication on the progress of hostilities, given out by the French war office this afternoon, reads as follows:

"Artillery exchanges continued last night, but with decreased intensity in various sectors of the front. There was firing in the Artois district; in the region of Bretoncourt; in the region of Fricas on the Somme and in the Champagne district near Tahure.

"There is nothing to report on the remainder of the front."

SAFETY OF PASSENGERS

San Francisco is hoping for reasonable stability in its commerce, its report declares, with a perceptible betterment in lumbering with important inquiries and considerable buying

646 LIVES LOST

53 British Steamers Sunk During Month of November

LONDON, Dec. 2.—Reports received by the board of trade during November tell of the sinking of 53 British steamers with a total net tonnage of 61,072 with the loss of 646 lives. In the same period the loss was reported of 35 British sailing vessels of 1977 net tonnage with six lives. So far as the figures show, twenty of the steamers were sunk by German warships and ten by mines, but 455 of the lives lost were on steamers sunk by German warships.

These figures do not record the total casualties for November, but merely the reports received, some of which relate to previous months.

BRITISH STEAMERS SUNK

The Colenso and the Orange Prince Destroyed by German Submarines

LONDON, Dec. 2.—Two more British steamers, the Colenso and the Orange Prince have been sunk, presumably by German submarines. The Colenso, 2532 tons, sailed from Middlesbrough Oct. 23, for Hull where she arrived Oct. 31 for Bombay. The latest maritime record shows that the Orange Prince, 2296 tons, was at Liverpool, Oct. 7.

CREW REACHED LAND

British Steamship Malinche Was Sunk In the Mediterranean Sea—Was 1888 Tons Gross

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The British steamship Malinche whose crew was reported yesterday as having reached harbor in two lifeboats, has been sunk.

The Malinche, 1868 tons gross, probably was sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean where the German and Austrian under water craft have inflicted heavy losses recently on shipping of the allies. A despatch from Malta last night reported that the Malinche's crew had reached land.

10,000 AT MOVIE BALL

GOV. WALSH AND MISS CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG LED THE GRAND MARCH

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—More than 10,000 film fans of Boston crowded the Arena last evening to see their favorite movie actors and actresses and to witness the selection of the prettiest girl in the great crowd—the one who will be trained as a star for future photo plays. The third annual movie ball was probably the greatest demonstration of its kind held in the city.

The feature event, the grand march of the great stars, followed by the host of their admirers, was held at midnight after the evening had been spent in dancing. The grand march was led by Governor Walsh and Miss Clara Kimball Young of the World Film company. They were followed by Francis X. Bushman of the Metro company; Miss Christine Mayo of the United; King Baggot, Universal; Miss Mary Fuller, Vitagraph; Edward Earle, Edison, and Miss Mary Miles Minter of the Metro company. Fully 500 couples were in line.

TEMPLE DANCING PARTY

The fourth annual dancing party to be conducted tomorrow night at Associate hall under the auspices of the Temple club promises to be one of the most enjoyable social events of the season. There will be a concert program, musical entertainment and general dancing. Music for dancing will be furnished by Broderick's Concert orchestra. The popularity of the members is assurance enough that the event will be an immense success, both financially and socially.

MARTIAL LAW DECLARED

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 2.—Martial law was declared by Governor Hall yesterday throughout Jefferson parish adjoining New Orleans, where state military raided recently several alleged gambling resorts. Adjutant General McNeese took over the parish government late yesterday.

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